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ABSTRACT

This participant workbook instructs financial aid personnel in the use of the EDExpress System as it relates to direct student loans. The first session discusses common origination and disbursement of direct loans. The second session considers new loans, and session 3 covers disbursements. Session 4 discusses exporting and importing data, and session 5 deals with data management. Session 6 is a wrap-up. Eight appendixes deal with particular aspects of EDExpress and presents some tools and lists of resources. A glossary is included. (SLD)

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Glossary

Welcome



Trainer's Information

Write down the names and contact information for today's trainers.

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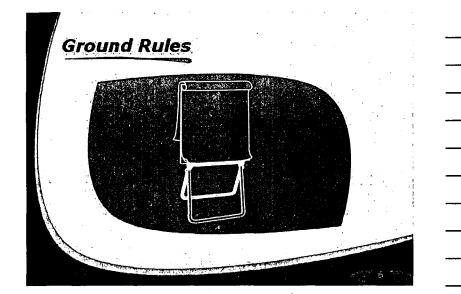
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Common Origination are	nd Disbursement	
New Loans		
 Disbursements 		
 Exports and Imports 		
• Data Management		
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Agenda

Common Origination and Disbursement—Review the COD process as it relates to Direct Loans and identify changes to EDExpress Direct Loan Setup.

New Loans—Evaluate how changes brought about by COD impact the use of the Direct Loan module in EDExpress to originate loans and manage MPNs.

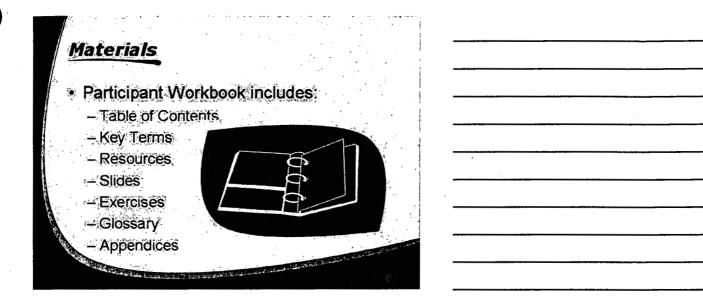
Disbursements—Analyze the impact of changes to the disbursement process on an institution's business practices.

Exports and Imports—Analyze the impact of the new processes of exporting and importing Direct Loan data on an institution's business practices.

Data Management—Use reports provided in EDExpress and by COD to accurately track and manage Direct Loan data.

Wrap-Up—Apply knowledge gained throughout the day to create an institutional process flow.

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Icons Used in the Materials



Instructor Demonstration—The instructor will be performing a software demonstration



Small group activity—You and your new friends working together to solve a problem



Software Activity—An exercise you will perform using EDExpress software



Individual activity—Usually a Q and A worksheet you will complete to review a lesson



Notes-Information to consider about a specific topic



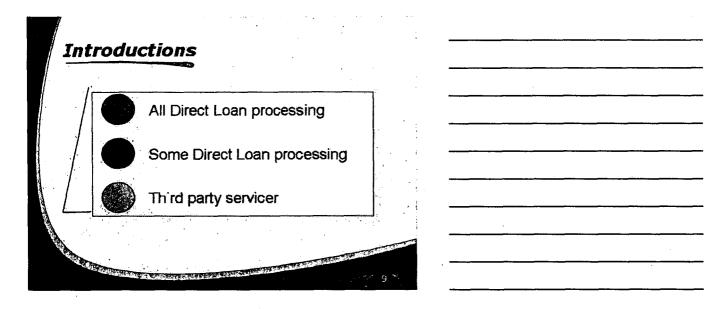
Tip—A helpful hint about how to use EDExpress to process your Pell Grant data more efficiently and accurately or a comment on the Pell Grant program itself



Resources—Additional information pertaining to the specific session/lesson

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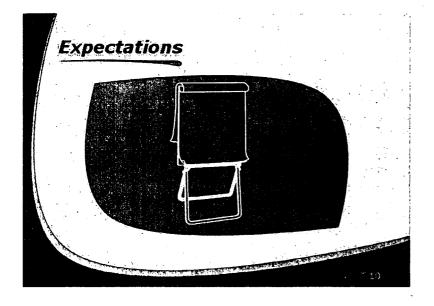
Introductions

Use this session as an opportunity to network and meet others from schools with similar Direct Loan processing methods.

Double check the colored dot on your name tent, which represents your role in processing Direct Loans at your school. When instructed, form a small discussion group with the other participants who have a similar loan process.

Your task in this activity is to:

- Introduce yourself to the group.
- Briefly describe how your school currently processes Direct Loans.
- Identify for your group two or three things you expect to learn today.
- Identify a spokesperson to report your group's list of expectations to the rest of the class.



Expectations

Write	Vrite down what you expect to learn during today's training.						
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Business Practices Impact

Review the following major changes pertaining to 2003-2004 Direct Loan processing and assess what impact, if any, these changes will have on your school's current business practices. Consider changes in work flow, staff responsibilities, and action items such as updating your Policy and Procedures Manual.

Session	Change	Impact to Current Business Practices
1	EDExpress users become Full Participants in the Common Origination and Disbursement (COD) Process and must notify COD and receive Entity ID:	
	Contact the COD Schools Relations Center at:	
	1-800-848-0978 (Direct Loan)	
	• Or email: <u>CODSupport@acs-inc.com</u>	
1	Change in terminology pertaining to XML data:	
	Batches are now Documents	
	Acknowledgements are now Responses	
	Originations are now Edit Only data	
•	Anticipated disbursements are now Edit Only disbursements (DRI = false)	
	Actual disbursements are now represented by Disbursement Release Indicator (DRI) = true	·
1	EDExpress compiles student award data in a Common Record (in XML format) upon export; external imports and exports remain in fixed length ASCII file formats.	
1	Use your Routing Number to submit COD records, which includes:	
	Source Entity ID	
	Destination Entity ID	
	Reporting School Entity ID	
	Attended School Entity ID	
	Must add new IDs to new fields in DL Setup, communicate to staff, etc.	BEST COPY AVAILABLE

Session	Change	Impact to Current Business Practices
2	New PLUS MPN and PLUS Disclosure Statement.	
	Important issues to consider:	
	 Loan Amount Requested field removed from the loan record and the promissory note EDExpress will not assume an MPN exists ("T") 	
2	Multi-year functionality available to most schools.	
	Important issues to consider:	
	Must have "active" confirmation process for PLUS	
	Not available for PLUS borrowers with endorsers	
2	New CPS Transaction Number field added to Loans tab:	
	CPS match performed by COD when a Common Record contains:	
	 A new student with an award A change to the Student Identifier (current SSN, current DOB, current Last Name; for DL, only SSN and DOB are matched) 	
	A new award with a new CPS Transaction Number	
	 Not on PLUS records See 03/04 COD Tech Ref, Vol. II, page II-1-52 	
2	New ability to track Current SSN in EDExpress:	
	May open student record using Original or Current SSN	
	Important issues to consider:	
	Original SSN is always used in Loan ID	
	Only Original SSN shows in Selection Criteria, Select Records when importing and exporting; Current SSN is shown when using Select Records to	
	print reports Gurrent SSN will show on reports that have the option of sorting by SSN	BEST COPY AVAILABLE

Session	Change	Impact to Current Business Practices
3	Setting DRI = true copies Edit Only (anticipated) information into Actual Disbursement Grid and represents entering an actual disbursement in the software. Important issue to consider: Increased importance of anticipated information	
3	Disbursement transaction types D and U are no longer available from within a student record. D and U still available in Multiple Entry but U now means "Update DRI to true"	
3	When entering an adjustment (A or N), enter the date of the corresponding disbursement, not the date of the adjustment. • EDExpress does not export an adjustment date that is different from the disbursement date, so COD only receives the disbursement date	
	If you enter a different date from what COD receives, you will have date mismatch issues when running a Compare report in DL Tools (SAS will have one date, EDExpress will have another)	
3	Pushed Cash schools must continue to have accepted MPNs before sending in actual disbursements, or the disbursements will reject. Cash will not be pushed until loan books.	
	 Important issue to consider: Process must be in place to verify that valid MPN exists for each borrower 	
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Session	Change	Impact to Current Business Practices
4	Exports from EDExpress to COD are now in one message class that combines all student award data (Edit Only, change, disbursement)—COMRECIN.***	
ī	Schools have the option of using queries or Selection Criteria for reporting DL Edit Only data separately from DL disbursements	
	Schools also have option of combining all DL and Pell data that is ready to send	
	Important issue to consider:	
	There is no way to prevent changes from being exported if the Edit Only data has been previously batched	
4	COD returns a Receipt for each document submitted to confirm data was received in the correct format.	
	Receipt will be recorded in Document Activity but will not update any data in the EDExpress database	·
4	All student award data is returned in one message class—COMRECOP.***	
	Includes Edit Only, disbursement and change data, as well as MPN acknowledgements, PLUS credit decision overrides, Booking Notifications, and Payment to Servicer notifications	
4	Import Edit reports (produced by EDExpress upon import) divide the XML response data blocks by Pell and DL transaction type.	
	Can be saved to a file and e-mailed to various staff	
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Session	Change	Impact to Current Business Practices
5	Must sign up for access to COD Website. • Refer to posting on IFAP for additional information http://ifap.ed.gov/cod/0603SchoolUserID.html	
5	With access to COD Website, users have ability to enter data (add and update records) via the COD Website. Important issue to consider: Version 9.1 of EDExpress will not have ability to import acknowledgements from web-based activity ("WB" Responses)	
5	With access to COD Website, users have ability to access reports via COD Website in PDF format (with some exceptions, e.g. the SAS and Rebuild files). Most reports may also be sent in flat file format via the SAIG	
General	2003-2004 COD Technical Reference available at http://fsadownload.ed.gov Includes Full Participant Implementation Guide, edit and reject codes, etc.	

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Session 1—Common Origination and Disbursement

Common Origination and Disbursement

In this session you will:

- Identify new concepts and terms
- Understand the Common Origination and Disbursement process flow and the role EDExpress plays
- Recognize the impact that 2003-2004 changes may have on your business
 practices

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Key Terms

Attended Entity ID

The Entity ID of the school or campus where the student attends class. It must be the same as the Reporting Entity ID—if the Reporting and Attended School are the same—or must have an established relationship with the Reporting Entity ID.

Common Origination and Disbursement (COD)

A system and database that replaced the RFMS and DLOS systems beginning with Award Year 2002-2003. Combines the origination and disbursement processes for the Federal Pell Grant and Direct Loan Programs.

Common Origination and Disbursement (COD) Process

The method used by Federal Student Aid Programs to report award and payment information for the Direct Loan and Pell Grant programs.

Common Record

A data transport mechanism (message) used to exchange Federal Student Aid (FSA) data between Full Participants and ED. Written in XML, it can contain multiple entities, students, programs, awards, and disbursements.

Document (formerly Batch)

In the Pell and Direct Loan modules of EDExpress, a group of data that are exported and sent to COD using the XML Common Record format.

Entity ID

A unique, randomly generated eight-digit number assigned to all postsecondary schools and third party servicers that participate in the Pell Grant and/or Direct Loan programs. It serves as a routing number that is associated with one or more of the following functions: source, destination, reporting or attended.

Fixed Length Record

Data record whose data elements are recognized based on their positions in the record layout. Requires that all data elements be populated for each submission. Pertains to data not in the Common Record format.

Full Participant

A school that uses the Common Record (XML) to submit Federal Pell Grant and/or Direct Loan data to COD. For the 2003-2004 award year, users of the EDExpress software are Full Participants in the program(s) for which they use EDExpress.

Phase-In Participant

A school that uses fixed length record layouts to submit Pell Grant and Direct Loan Program data to COD via the SAIG. Refer to the 2003-2004 COD Technical Reference for the defined record layouts.

Reporting Entity ID

The Entity ID of the school that sends and receives data for the campuses or students it serves. The Reporting Entity must be a school and cannot be a third party servicer. It must be the same as the Source Entity ID or must have an established relationship with the Source Entity ID and the TG Number.

Source Entity ID

The Entity ID of the physical sender of a Common Record document, which can be either a school or a third party servicer.

Tag

An element name that is used inside brackets to denote the beginning and end of content. For example, <LastName>Jones</LastName> uses the tag of LastName.

XML (Extensible Markup Language)

Language used to code the Common Record. Each Common Record consists of XML elements that have start tags, end tags and data in between. The start and end tags describe the data or value within the tags. For example, the following XML element is a <LastName> element with the value "Dunn." <LastName> Dunn</LastName>.

XML Document

An XML Document is a Common Record. This replaces Pell and DL batches from 2002-2003.

XML Schema

Specifies the rules surrounding the structure of an XML document. It defines the elements present in the document and the order in which they appear, as well as any attributes that may be associated with an element.

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Available at http://www.fsadownload.ed.gov

- 2003-2004 COD Technical Reference Volume I: Getting Started
- 2003-2004 COD Technical Reference Volume II: Common Record Full Participant Technical Reference

Electronic Announcements, Bulletins, Letters

- COD Full Participant Set Up for 2003-2004: Posted 2/26/03 at http://www.ifap.ed.gov/eannouncements/0226CODSignUpforFP0304.html
- Updated COD Website Access for Schools: Posted 3/18/03 at http://www.ifap.ed.gov/cod/0318Schoolaccess.html

Appendix C: COD System & Website

Appendix E: Term Translator

Appendix H: Business Practices Impact Worksheet

Term Translator

In our discussion of the Common Origination and Disbursement (COD) process, you will encounter new terms. Many of these relate to familiar items or concepts.

The Term Translator is a crosswalk that guides you from the 2002-2003 EDExpress legacy process to the 2003-2004 COD process as an EDExpress *Full Participant*. You will use this tool throughout this training.

02-03 EDExpress Legacy Process	03-04 EDExpress Full Participant	03-04 COD Technical Reference
Record Layout	Common Record Layout Includes tags with data that comprise the COD Schema for the Common Record in XML format	Common Record Layout
	Fixed Length Record Layout Non-XML data fields formatted in a fixed length flat file for data requests/acknowledgements exchanged with COD and other external systems (e.g. school's mainframe)	Fixed Length Record Layout
Batch	Document Only contains XML Common Record data exchanged with COD	Document
	Batch Data records exchanged with external systems and reports received from COD	Batch
Batch ID	Document ID Identifies the XML Common Record document exchanged with COD	Document ID
	Document ID Identifies the non-XML file exchanged with COD or an external system	Batch ID
Batch Activity	Document Activity Grid that lists all Pell and DL documents or batches submitted and received via EDExpress	Batch Search
	Receipt Indicates whether the XML Common Record document sent was accepted by COD	Receipt
Batch Reject	Receipt Indicates whether the XML Common Record document sent was rejected by COD	Receipt

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02-03 EDExpress Legacy Process	03-04 EDExpress Full Participant	03-04 COD Technical Reference
Acknowledgement	Response	Response
	XML Common Record document returned after COD processing; indicates current status, which updates your database	
Origination Record	Origination/Edit Only Record	Edit Only Data
	Student award data with anticipated disbursement information	
Anticipated Disbursement Record	Disbursement Record/Edit Only	Edit Only Data
	Disbursement	DRI = false
	Disbursement date and amount AND DRI is not checked	
Actual Disbursement Record	Actual Disbursement Record	Actual Disbursement Data
	DRI is checked	DRI = true
DL School Code	DL School Code	Associated with the Entity ID
	Source Entity ID	Entity ID
	Entity ID of the sender of the document; may be a third party servicer	ID number randomly assigned by COD
	Reporting Entity ID	Entity ID
	For a school with multiple campuses, identifies the school that submits Direct Loan data to COD	
	Attended Entity ID	Entity ID
	Identifies a specific branch campus for a school with multiple campuses	
		Current Funding Level (CFL)
	Pushed Cash	Pushed Cash
	Advance Pay	Advance Pay
	Cash Monitoring 1 (CM1)	Cash Monitoring 1 (CM1)
	Cash Monitoring 2 (CM2)	Cash Monitoring 2 (CM2)
	Reimbursement	Reimbursement



Tip:

Appendix E provides another copy of the Term Translator, which you can pull out and keep handy throughout the day.

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Common Origination and Disbursement	
One process and one system for reporting Direct Loan and Pell Grant awards and disbursements	
Enables Full Participants to report data for multiple award years, programs, schools, students, and awards in one document.	
-XML Common Record	

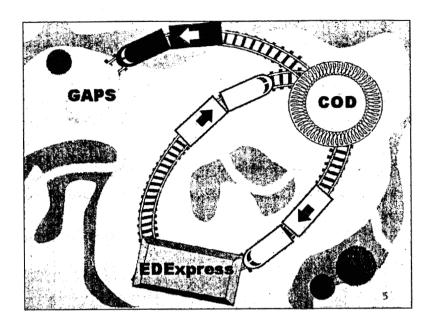
Common Origination and Disbursement

For 2003-2004, the basic concept of *Common Origination and Disbursement* (COD) remains the same. Common Origination and Disbursement is one process and one system for reporting Direct Loan and Pell Grant awards and disbursements to FSA.

Using the XML Common Record, Full Participants in the COD process have the ability to report data for multiple award years, programs, schools, students, and awards at one time.

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Common Origination and Disbursement Process

Schools send information to the COD System

In 2003-2004, EDExpress users exchange Direct Loan and Pell Grant award and disbursement information with the COD System using the *XML document* or Common Record. The Common Record *document* corresponds to a batch in prior processing years.

Upon export, EDExpress compiles your data in XML format (XML is the language used to code the Common Record).

Schools have a variety of options available each time they export data to send to COD:

- They can send only Direct Loan data or
- They can send only Pell Grant data or
- They can send a combination of all Direct Loan and Pell Grant data that is ready.

In addition, schools may use Selection Criteria to choose to send any combination of Edit Only and Actual Disbursement information.



Note: Once the Common Record document is created, EDExpress assigns a Document ID.

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The COD System sends information to Schools

When the COD System receives information from the school, it performs several edits before creating and sending two documents to the school.

The first edit checks to see that the document received is in the correct format. After performing this edit, the COD System produces and returns a *receipt* for each document submitted.

After performing the rest of the edits, the COD System produces a *response*. Along with the data received, the response may also include warning edits and/or the reason an element rejected.

The COD System communicates with GAPS

COD and GAPS communicate daily to ensure that the financial data necessary to maintain both the flow of funds to the school and financial integrity is in place. The COD System communicates to GAPS the school's total amount of accepted Direct Loan and Pell Grant disbursements. This affects the school's current funding level for each of these programs.

EDExpress and the COD Process 2003-2004 EDExpress enhancements allow data to be exchanged with COD via the XML Common Record All 2003-2004 EDExpress users are Full Participants – Must contact COD School Relations

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One of the most dramatic enhancements in the 2003-2004 EDExpress software is that it creates Common Record documents for export to the COD System. Then, after COD processes and returns the data contained in the Common Record, EDExpress also has the ability to import it.



Notes:

- COD system-generated reports will not be sent in XML format, so EDExpress users will continue to import these reports into EDExpress and DL Tools in a fixed length record format.
- Combo Schools (using EDExpress and mainframe or other PC system) will continue to use fixed length flat files for External Add and External Export.

New EDExpress Fields

A number of new fields in EDExpress accommodate data elements that are used in the COD process. These appear in the Global, Pell and Direct Loan modules of EDExpress. We'll examine many of these new fields throughout this training.

EDExpress Users Become Full Participants

A very significant change for EDExpress users is that they become COD Full Participants in 2003-2004, since they will be exchanging data with COD via the XML Common Record.



Notes:

- ALL schools using EDExpress to send data to COD via the Common Record MUST contact COD School Relations to become Full Participants.
- Appendix C provides information on enrolling as a Full Participant and on getting access to the COD Website.

The Common Record	
Replaces the fixed length flat file format	
Student-centric document	
Simple elements grouped into complex	
elements - Example of the complex element < NAME>	
First Name	
Middle Name	
Last Name	

The Common Record

To transmit and process Direct Loan and Pell Grant award and disbursement data, 2003-2004 EDExpress and the COD System use the Common Record, a data transport mechanism—or document—that is created using *XML*—Extensible Markup Language.

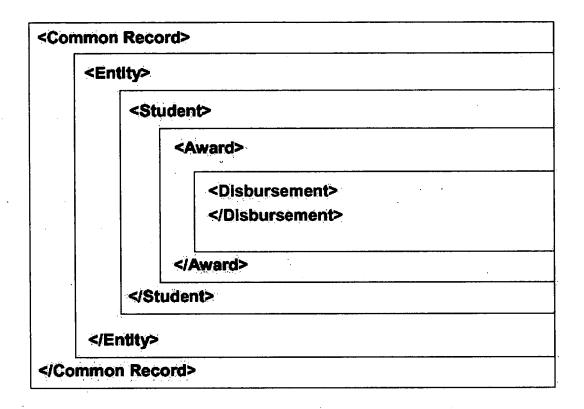
The Common Record is significantly different from the fixed length record used by the former Direct Loan and Pell Grant processing systems. Unlike the fixed length record, the Common Record is very flexible. In addition, its data contents can be easily read by people as well as computers.

Similar to the way its fixed length counterpart is composed of data fields, the Common Record is composed of data elements. And while fixed length records use position within a record layout to associate values with particular fields, the Common Record uses *tags* to associate content with their corresponding data elements.



Note: As the slide above indicates, the data elements on the Common Record consist of simple elements (e.g. <LAST NAME>) grouped into complex elements (e.g. <NAME>). However, complex data elements may consist not only of a series of simple elements but also of other complex data elements (e.g. <NAME> is a component of the complex element <PERSON>).

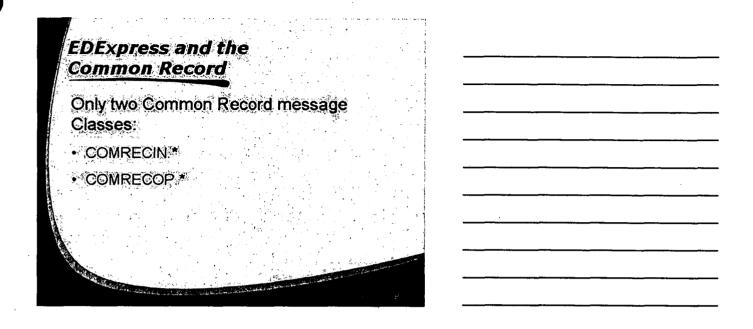
The Common Record



This illustration shows how data elements are nested within each other.



Note: If a complex data element is not accepted, the underlying data elements also will not be accepted.



EDExpress Message Classes Associated with the Common Record

Since the Common Record conveys all Direct Loan and Pell award and payment information, it replaces a number of message classes and file layouts.

EDExpress has only two message classes associated with Direct Loan and Pell Grant award and disbursement data exchanged via the Common Record.

COMRECIN Used to export Direct Loan and Pell Grant award and disbursement data to the COD System

COMRECOP Used to import Direct Loan and Pell Grant receipts and responses from the COD System



Note: Data requests and report files use other message classes.

As you're accustomed to seeing, there is a serialized extension that prevents files from overwriting each other. The first file has a ".dat" extension. Subsequent files are assigned serial numeric extensions (".001, .002, .003" and so on).



Note: One significant change is that there is no AY (award year) designator in the COMRECIN or COMRECOP.

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Session 1—Common Origination and Disbursement

This table shows how the COD process differs from the prior process.

Comparing Prior Process to COD Process					
Prior Process Feature			COD Process Feature		
Program-Specific Systems			One Common Origination and Disbursement		
 Recipient Financial Management System (RFMS) for Pell 			System		
• Direct I Direct I	Loan Origination Sy Loan	stem (DLOS) for			
Origination Records and Disbursement Records		rsement Records	One Common Record transporting both Origination and Disbursement data		
Multiple fil	le layouts for each p	rogram	One file format		
			The Common Record using XML		
Many Mess	sage Classes within	programs	Two Message Classes		
Export	Direct Loan	Pell	• COMRECIN		
	DESF*IN	PGOR*IN			
	DESC*IN	PGDR*IN			
	DESD*IN				
	DEPF*IN		·		
Import	Direct Loan	Pell	• COMRECOP		
	DIPA*OP	PGOA*OP			
	DIOD*OP	PGOP*OP			
	DIPC*OP	PGDA*OP			
	DISF*OP	PGDW*OP			
	DIPF*OP				
	DIOC*OP				
Could only export or import batches of one		atches of one	Can choose to send any combination of:		
record type at a time			Direct Loan or Pell information;		
			Edit Only information; and/or		
			Disbursement information		



Note: Student data is sent in the XML Common Record document, but report data remains in fixed length flat files.

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Old Process vs. COD Process

As the instructor uses the animation to demonstrate the old process and the COD process, write down the differences you notice.

Old Process	COD Process
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■ Software Activity

Locate New Features in EDExpress DL Setup

1. Open EDExpress and login using the following User ID and password:

		User ID = User 2					
		Password = User 2					
2.		Go to DL Setup and identify as many new features as you can. Write down what you find in the space provided below.					
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Session 2—New Loans

New Loans

In this lesson you will:

- Evaluate the impact of COD on your origination and MPN processes:
- Recognize PLUS MPN concept
- Determine possible enhancements to your current business processes

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Key Terms

CPS Transaction Number

The transaction number of the eligible ISIR that is used to calculate a Direct Subsidized or Direct Unsubsidized Loan.

Disbursement Release Indicator (DRI)

Formerly known as the "Payment Trigger." Indicates whether or not a disbursement is ready to be funded. In EDExpress, the Disbursement Release Indicator appears as a check box on the Disburse tab. A mark in the check box means that the DRI = true, and the disbursement is an Actual Disbursement. If the check box is clear, the DRI = false and the disbursement information is Edit Only.

Document ID

Document IDs replace Batch IDs for Direct Loan and Pell export and import files in EDExpress. EDExpress records the import and export of all documents in the Document Activity database and assigns a unique Document ID to each document. The Document ID is 30 characters in length. It has three main components: (1) the date and (2) time it was created and (3) the Source Entity ID that generated it.

e-MPN

A Master Promissory Note that a borrower can sign electronically (using a PIN) on the Web.

Edit Only Disbursements Grid

The upper portion of the disbursement screen in EDExpress. "Anticipated" disbursement information is shown here.

Edit Only Disbursement

Formerly called anticipated disbursement. Calculated based on the loan amount approved and the disbursement profile in EDExpress. An Edit Only disbursement contains disbursement data with DRI = false.

Edit Only Record

Formerly called Loan Origination Record. Contains information from the Demographic tab, the Loans tab, and the Edit Only Disbursement grid (DRI = false). Edit Only data is transmitted to COD in a Common Record document to establish a Direct Loan award on the COD System. Edit Only Records may originate an award, but are not intended to request or report funds.

Endorser

A person who signs a PLUS loan on behalf of the parent because the parent's credit check was declined. The endorser accepts full financial responsibility to pay back the PLUS loan if the parent does not do so.

ISIR MPN Indicator

An EDExpress field that gets populated based on NSLDS history information. The field indicates if there's an active MPN on file at COD for a borrower.

Master Promissory Note (MPN)

A legal document that must be signed to obtain a Direct Loan. By signing, the borrower promises to repay the loan, with interest, in specified installments. The MPN also includes any information about the grace period, deferment or cancellation provisions, and the borrower's rights and responsibilities with respect to the loan. There are two types of MPNs: (1) Direct Subsidized/Unsubsidized MPN and (2) Direct PLUS MPN.

Multi-Year Functionality

A feature of the Master Promissory Note, which allows multiple Direct Loans for the same student/borrower to link to the same MPN. Beginning in the 2003-2004 award year, all Direct Loan schools are eligible to use the Multi-Year feature of the MPN. Once an MPN has been accepted and remains open, schools that choose to use this feature do not have to obtain a new MPN each academic year.

PLUS e-MPN

A Master Promissory Note that a parent borrower can sign electronically (using a PIN) on the Web to cover loans for the borrower on behalf of a dependent child.

Single-Loan MPN Feature (PLUS Only)

The limited use of a Master Promissory Note to cover a PLUS loan made to a parent borrower with an eligible endorser.

Single-Year MPN Feature

The limited use of a Master Promissory Note to cover loans made within the same year for a particular borrower.

Student Identifier

The COD Student Identifier composed of the student's current Social Security Number, current date of birth, and current last name. "Current" means the value stored in COD as of the date of the transmission. EDExpress allows you to view the Student Identifier via a new dialog box called COD Accepted Student ID.



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Electronic Announcements, Bulletins, Letters

- Multi-Year Use of Master Promissory Notes by Schools (GEN 02-10): Posted 11/29/02 at http://www.ifap.ed.gov/dpcletters/Gen0210.html
- Implementation of Expanded Authority for Multi-Year Use of the Master Promissory Note (DLB-03-02): Posted 1/17/03 at http://www.ifap.ed.gov/dlbulletins/DLB0302.html
- Implementation of a Master Promissory Note for Direct PLUS Loans (**DLB-03-07**): Posted 2/03 at http://www.ifap.ed.gov/dlbulletins/DLB0307.html

Appendix A: 2003-2004 EDExpress Changes

Appendix C: COD System & Website

Appendix E: EDExpress Direct Loan End-of-Entry Edits

Appendix F: Direct Loan Business Rules

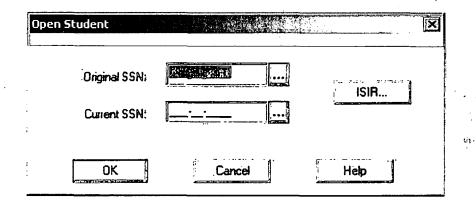


Instructor Demonstration

In this demonstration, the instructor will discuss new features and other changes to the Direct Loan origination record in EDExpress.

Open Student Dialog Box

You now have two ways to open an EDExpress student record. A new Global feature in EDExpress allows you to open a student record using either the Current SSN or the Original SSN.

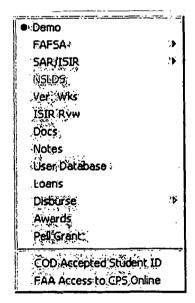


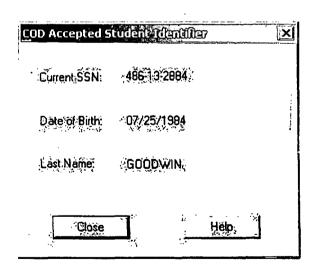
COD Student Identifier

You can view the COD Accepted Student Identifier from the View Menu in the Demo record.

EDExpress allows you to view the Student Identifier that COD has accepted for a student. The identifier is unique to each student and consists of the student's current Social Security Number, current Date of Birth, and current Last Name. The identifier is a required data element for all submissions of a COD Common Record. To establish the student, COD attempts to match the identifier submitted by a school with data from the Central Processing System (CPS). For Direct Loans, the current SSN and current Date of Birth are matched with CPS data. If a match is found at CPS, COD accepts the student record and establishes the Student Identifier on file for the student. EDExpress sends the Student Identifier on all subsequent transactions for that student (both origination/Edit Only and disbursement).

If any portion of the Student Identifier is changed in EDExpress, and you submit a student record to COD using the new identifier, the record may not be matched up with the student that CPS has on file. If COD does not find a match on CPS, COD rejects the student's record and returns an error code of 011 (reject based on identifier). You can use the View/COD Accepted Student ID feature in the Demo tab to determine what COD has on file, and compare that with what CPS has for the student. In order to maintain consistency between COD and CPS and to have the record accepted by COD, you must change the ID back to the original values (if the change was an error) in the Demo tab of the student's record. If the change was an accurate change, you must first submit a correction to the ISIR, which will result in another transaction at CPS. After the correction has been accepted by CPS, the school must send a Common Record to the COD System reporting the student tag with the current Student Identifier information and the changed data.





The COD Accepted Student ID dialog box is only accessible from the Demo tab of a student's record if you have imported an accepted COD Common Record Response into EDExpress (for either Direct Loan or Pell).



Note: COD stores one Student Identifier for a student. COD does not store separate Student Identifiers for each award.

New Fields & Field Labels-Loan Tab

Subsidized or Unsubsidized

Edit Only Record -

The *Edit Only record* (formerly known as the loan origination record) contains information from the demographic tab, the loans tab, and the Edit-Only Disbursements grid. Edit Only data must be transmitted to COD in a Common Record document to establish a Direct Loan award on the COD system.

CPS Transaction Number –

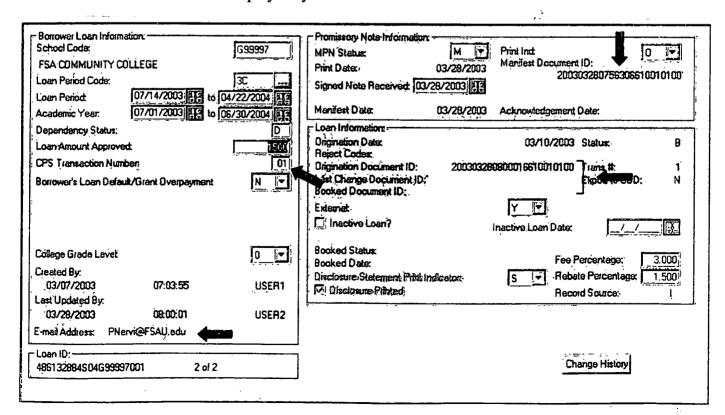
The CPS Transaction Number is a new field on the Loans tab within EDExpress. This field is used to enter the transaction number of the eligible ISIR that you used to determine a student's loan eligibility. The CPS Transaction Number may be different for SSL, USL and even Pell (on the Pell tab, the field is called "Transaction Number") if a different ISIR with a different EFC is used to package each award. The field is populated automatically if you import ISIR or packaging data, but can be updated manually at any time. The CPS Transaction Number does not appear on the Loans tab for PLUS.



Note: The CPS Transaction Number, if changed when the Loan Status is B or A, does not turn blue and is not tracked in the change history grid. This is similar to what happens in EDExpress when fields on the Demo tab are changed.

E-mail Address -

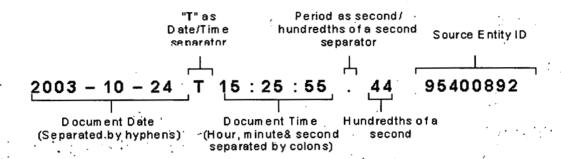
This is the student borrower's e-mail address as it appears on the Demo tab of the student's record. EDExpress updates this field if any changes are made to the corresponding field on the Demo tab. This field is display-only.



Session 2—New Loans

Batch ID now called Document ID -

Manifest, Origination, Last Change and Booked Batch IDs have been replaced with Document IDs. Each *Document ID* consists of the date (in CCYYMMDD format) and time (in HHmmssff format) the document was exported from EDExpress. The last eight characters of the Manifest Document ID reflect the school's Reporting Entity ID. The last eight characters of the Origination, Last Change and Booked Document IDs reflect the school's Source Entity ID.





Note: The appearance of the Document ID varies depending upon where you view it. On the Loans tab and the Document Activity grid, only the numbers are present. However, the appearance of the ID on the Actual Disbursement grid and the Document Activity List corresponds with what appears in the Common Record document itself. That is, CCYY-MM-DDT:HH:mm:ss.ff#########.

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New Fields & Field Labels-Loan Tab

PLUS

Removal of Loan Amount Requested -

The Loan Amount Requested field for PLUS has been removed from the Direct Loans tab in EDExpress.

PLUS Field Label Change -

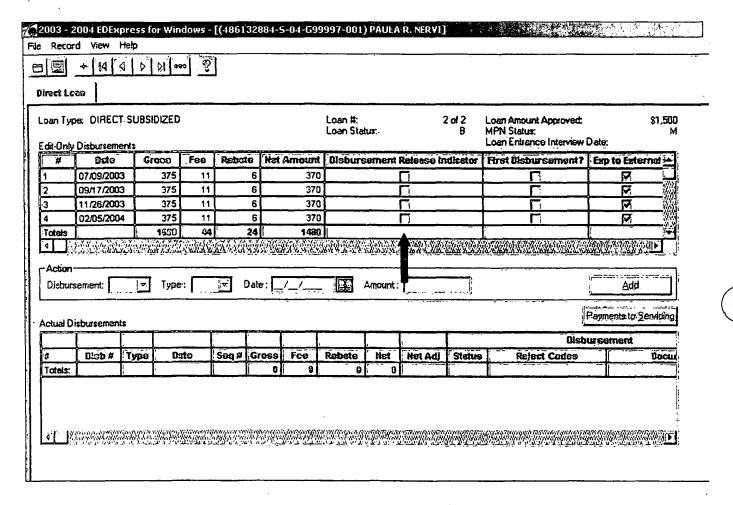
The label "Promissory Note Status" is changed to "MPN Status" because the PLUS note is now an MPN.

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03/29/2003 08:26:00 USER2. E-mail Address: PNervi@FSAU.edu	Credit Decision: Credit Decision Date:
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New Fields & Field Labels-Disbursement Tab

The Anticipated Disbursement grid is now the *Edit Only Disbursements grid*. A new *Disbursement Release Indicator* field is used to identify actual disbursements. Marking the checkbox sets the field value to true. This allows the actual disbursement information to be included in a Common Record document when exported. The First Disbursement Flag checkbox now appears on the Edit Only Disbursements grid.





Note: Refer to the 2003-2004 EDE Process Guide or the cover letter accompanying the release of 2003-2004 EDExpress for Windows version 9.1 for a complete list of changes. Online Help (F1) within EDExpress is also a good resource. See "What's New for 2003-2004" under the Help menu.



Use EDExpress to answer the following questions.

Use the following user ID and Password to log into the software:

User ID	Password
USER2	USER2

Open the record for SSN 194-63-3796.

From the Demo Tab view the student's COD Student ID.

- 1. What are the Current SSN, Last Name, and Date of Birth on the COD System for this student?
- 2. Has the school made changes in EDExpress that may affect the Student Identifier?

3. If so, why might those changes reject at COD?

4. Which CPS Transaction Number was used to award the subsidized loan? Which was used to award the unsubsidized loan? Why might the two be different?

Multi-Year Fund	tionality				-	
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Multi-Year MPN Functionality

Authority for multi-year use of the *Master Promissory Note* (MPN) has been expanded to include most schools. All participating schools, unless specifically notified otherwise, are authorized to use multi-year MPNs. For Direct Loans, the change is effective for 2003-2004 loans processed after the release of the Common Origination and Disbursement System 2.0.

Loans made after the implementation can be linked to an MPN that was signed before the change became effective.

Schools considering multi-year use of MPNs need to be aware of provisions regarding borrower confirmation and the expiration of an MPN. Additional information is available in the Federal Student Aid Handbook, Volume 8 on pages 8-39 to 8-41 (for subsidized and unsubsidized loans).

A school can choose to require a new MPN each year for all students or particular groups of students. Students have the option of signing a new MPN for each loan. They may also contact the school or COD Ancillary Services to close an MPN.

Ancillary Services; Common Origination Phone: 800/848-0978 PO Box 5692 Montgomery, AL 36103-5692



Notes:

- For schools that have previously been processing MPNs using the single-year MPN feature, the default processing option in COD for 2003-2004 is single-year. If such a school would like to use the multi-year feature at any point in 2003-2004, they must first notify COD School Relations.
- The default MPN processing option in EDExpress (DL System Setup) is for multi-year processing. This must be changed if the school is using the single-year feature for 2003-2004.

Electronic MPN	
 Borrower may electronically sign MPN on the Web 	
http://dlenote.ed.gov/	

Electronic Master Promissory Notes (e-MPN)

Students can use their PIN to electronically sign their Master Promissory Note on the Web. There is a link to FSA's PIN Web site on the eNote Web site that borrowers can use to obtain a PIN, if they don't already have one, or to request a new PIN mailer.

Student borrowers need a printer to use this site so they can print a copy of their MPN.

FSA plans to offer a *PLUS e-MPN* in 2003-2004.



Note: Parents will need a PIN to sign the e-MPN.

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The PLUS MPN is the only approved promissory note to process 2003/2004 PLUS Loans for all schools. It can be used for one or more PLUS Loans for a parent borrower for a specific student. A parent borrower would need a different MPN for loans on behalf of other children. A student can have multiple parents borrow a PLUS Loan for the same or subsequent academic years, but each parent borrower would need an MPN.

Schools may use multi-year or single-year PLUS MPNs. However, the option that the school chooses for one loan type must be applied to the other loan types as well. This means a school may not opt to process PLUS MPNs using the multi-year feature but process Sub/Unsub using the single-year feature.

You or COD must print a PLUS MPN and have it signed by the parent borrower before disbursing a PLUS Loan. Other features of the PLUS MPN:

- You can print a PLUS MPN prior to completing a PLUS Loan origination record
- The student does not need to sign the PLUS MPN
- A dollar amount does not show on the MPN
- The credit decision must be approved before a loan is linked to the PLUS MPN

New PLUS MPN ID

The PLUS MPN ID is a 21-character ID. The components for the PLUS MPN ID include:

- Student's Social Security Number: 001010001–999999998
- 2. MPN Indicator: N
- 3. Award Year: 04 and forward
- 4. Direct Loan School Code: X00000-X99999 where X = G or E

The PLUS Master Promissory Note (continued)

Single-Year MPN Feature

If the parent is determined to have an adverse credit history and obtains an *endorser*, the promissory note becomes a "single-loan" note. No further PLUS Loans may be made under that PLUS MPN. In addition, because the Loan Amount Approved is shown on the Endorser Addendum and is the maximum amount that the school may disburse to that borrower for that loan, any increase in the Loan Amount Approved will require a new PLUS MPN and a new Endorser Addendum.



Notes:

- See Appendix F for the PLUS MPN Business Rules.
- In EDExpress, the Loan Amount Approved cannot be increased or decreased if the Credit Decision is E (credit overridden based on approved endorser).

PLUS MPN Confirmation Process	
Active confirmation process is required	
with multi-year use of the PLUS MPN	
• Examples:	
 Sign and return an award letter 	
 Document parent's request for a specific PLUS amount 	
Document acceptance of loan using a PIN	
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Regulations require that a school that is authorized for multi-year use of the MPN develop and document a confirmation process. The purpose of this confirmation process is to provide a means for a borrower to accept or decline a loan made for a subsequent academic year under the multi-year feature of the MPN. It helps to provide for greater borrower control and understanding of loan debt.

For Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans, schools may choose between:

- A passive confirmation process (the borrower is notified of the new loan, but must take no action before funds are disbursed); or
- An active confirmation process (borrower action is required to accept or confirm a loan before funds are disbursed)

However, for Direct PLUS loans, an active confirmation process is required. Generally, PLUS Loan funds are not paid directly to the parent borrower, and PLUS Loan amounts are often significantly higher than subsidized and unsubsidized loan amounts. It is therefore particularly important for parents to have control over the borrowing process and to be aware of the loan debt they are incurring.

Examples of an active confirmation process that a school might use:

- Requiring the parent borrower to sign and return an award letter that indicates the specific amount of the PLUS Loan.
- Requiring the parent borrower to request a specific PLUS Loan amount and documenting that request.
- Documenting the parent borrower's acceptance of a loan through an electronic process that requires a personal identification number (PIN).



Note: For more details about the confirmation process for multi-year PLUS MPNs, see Direct Loan Bulletin 03-07 (Feb 2003) on IFAP.

PLUS Disclosure Statement Rules
Disclosure statement required due to PLUS MPN
 School (O) or COD (S) may print
COD will print 30 days before disbursement if approved credit decision
COD will print immediately if Edit Only data is sent less than 30 days before
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PLUS MPN Disclosure Statement

With the availability of the MPN for PLUS, a Disclosure Statement is now required for PLUS borrowers. The Disclosure Statement, which includes information on the loan amount and anticipated disbursements, must be provided before or at the time of the first disbursement.

Schools may choose to print their own Disclosure Statements in EDExpress by selecting "O" (Onsite) in DL System Setup. Or they may choose to have COD print their Disclosures for them, by choosing "S" (COD Prints). In either case, a Disclosure Statement for PLUS will <u>not</u> be printed if the borrower does not have an approved credit decision.

As with subsidized and unsubsidized loans, COD will print and mail PLUS Disclosures 30 days prior to the first anticipated disbursement. If the Edit Only data reaches COD less than 30 days prior to the first disbursement, COD will print the Disclosure immediately, unless the Disclosure Statement Print code on the student award indicates that the school has already provided it.



Instructor Demonstration: Originating with a PLUS MPN

For a school that processes multi-year MPNs, the COD System and EDExpress treat PLUS MPNs differently than they treat MPNs for subsidized and unsubsidized loans.

For subsidized and unsubsidized loans, EDExpress will link the loan to an MPN if another loan exists in the database with a valid MPN status. It will also link if the DL *ISIR MPN Indicator* shows an active MPN exists. When the loan is originated in EDExpress, the MPN status of the loan being linked changes to a "T" (School assumes MPN exists). When COD accepts the origination and verifies the MPN is valid, it officially links the loan to the note and returns an MPN status of A (Accepted).

The MPN status of "T" does not exist in EDExpress for PLUS Loans. EDExpress cannot make the assumption that a valid MPN exists because:

- The valid PLUS MPN on file could be for another parent
- A more recent credit decision may be required
- The valid PLUS MPN on file could be a single-loan note that required an endorser

In addition, when COD receives the origination, it may not be able to link the loan because the PLUS MPN on file is for another dependent student of the parent borrower.

Session 3—Disbursements

Disbursements

In this lesson you will:

- Identify changes to the disbursement process, relative to COD
- Relate your school's funding method to the disbursement process
- Examine the impact to your processes and determine possible enhancements

Key Terms

Actual Disbursement

A disbursement record submitted to the COD System in order to request or substantiate funding. Full Participants submit actual disbursement data on the Common Record with a Disbursement Release Indicator (DRI) = true.

Disbursement

Title IV program funds disbursed when a school credits a student's account with funds or pays a student or parent directly with either:

- Title IV funds received from ED, or
- Institution funds used before receiving Title IV program funds

Funding Method

The method by which schools receive their Pell and Direct Loan funds. For the Direct Loan program, funding methods include Advance Pay, Pushed Cash, Cash Monitoring 1 (CM1), Cash Monitoring 2 (CM2) and Reimbursement.



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Appendix E: EDExpress Direct Loan End-of-Entry Edits

Activity: Creating & Adjusting Disbursements from Within the Student Record

Case 1

At FSA College, you are approaching the first disbursement date for the first term of the year. You have identified a group of students with Edit Only disbursements that you need to record as *actual disbursements*. One of these students is Marcel Venturi, SSN 288-59-4787.

Follow these steps to complete the activity:

- Open Marcel's record in EDExpress.
- Update the first *disbursement* for the subsidized loan to make it an actual disbursement. The disbursement date is 8/29/03.
- Save the data.

۱.	What method did you use to record the actual disbursement?			
2.	What did you notice about the first Edit Only disbursement once you saved your data?			

Case 2

You have determined that it is time to report an actual disbursement for the subsidized loan for Susie McKinnel, SSN 194-63-3796. The date of the disbursement is 8/1/03 and the amount disbursed is actually \$1,000, less than the amount anticipated when the loan was created.

Follow these steps to complete the activity:

- Open Susie's record in EDExpress.
- Report the first disbursement date as 8/1/03.
- Report the first disbursement gross amount as \$1,000.
- Indicate that the disbursement is an actual disbursement.
- Save the data.

Session 3—Disbursements

Case	2 (continued)	
1.	What method did you use to record the disbursement?	

2. What did you notice about the first Edit Only disbursement?

Case 3

Your office was notified by the Ecology Today Foundation on 8/1/03 that Brooke Bernini, SSN 115-97-4419, was awarded a scholarship. You need to reduce the amount of Brooke's subsidized loan from \$2,625 to \$1,000. You want all of Brooke's disbursements to be equal, so you must reduce the amount of the first actual disbursement, as well as the remaining Edit Only disbursements.

Follow these steps to complete the activity:

- Open Brooke's record in EDExpress.
- Adjust the first disbursement gross amount for the subsidized loan down to \$250.
- Adjust the remaining Edit Only disbursements to \$250.
- Save the data.
- Change the Loan Amount Approved to \$1,000.
- Save the data.

1.	What method did you use to record the adjustment?
2.	What date did you report as the Adjustment Date?
3.	What did you notice about the first Edit Only disbursement?
4.	What did you notice about the remaining Edit Only disbursements?

Creating Actual Disbursements

Before you can enter an actual disbursement for a loan, you must have a signed MPN or an MPN Status of T (School Assumes MPN Exists at COD) or A (Accepted).

Check the Disbursement Release Indicator checkbox to copy all Edit Only disbursement information to the Actual Disbursement grid and use the scroll bars to display the information for all the disbursements.

Step	Action
1	Select File, Open from the menu bar.
2	Type the current or original SSN and click OK, or click the ellipsis () button, or click the ISIR button to display a list of records in the database and click on a record to select it. Click OK.
3	Click the Disburse tab at the bottom of the screen.
4	If the student has more than one loan record, choose the appropriate loan ID by clicking Record , Retrieve on the menu bar. Select the correct loan ID from the list. You can also scroll between loan records by clicking on the right and left arrows below the menu bar.
5	Click the Disbursement Release Indicator checkbox in the row of the Edit Only disbursement you want to post. The Edit Only disbursement data is copied to the actual disbursement grid below.
6	Select File , Save from the menu bar to save the changes. When you save an actual disbursement, the disbursement status updates to a value of R .
7	Select File, Close to exit the record.

Adjusting Actual Disbursements

Step	Action
1	Select File, Open from the menu bar.
2	Type the current or original SSN and click OK, or click the ellipsis () button, or click the ISIR button to display a list of records in the database and click on a record to select it. Click OK.
3	Click the Disburse tab at the bottom of the screen.
4	If the student has more than one loan record, choose the appropriate loan ID by clicking Record, Retrieve on the menu bar. Select the correct loan ID from the list. You can also scroll between loan records by clicking on the right and left arrows below the menu bar.
5	From the Disbursement Number box located between the Edit Only and Actual Disbursement tables, select or type the number of the disbursement you are adjusting.
6	Enter Disbursement Type A to enter the new gross or net disbursement amount. Enter Disbursement Type N to enter the net adjustment amount.
7	Enter the Disbursement Date for the adjustment. When entering adjustments, the disbursement date should be the original date of the disbursement, not the date of adjustment.
8	For Type A, type the new disbursement amount in the Disbursement Amount field. Enter the gross or net amount based on the option you selected in setup.
	For Type N, if you are adjusting an actual disbursement downward, enter the "-" (minus sign) and the amount by which you want to reduce the net amount in the Disbursement Amount field.
9	Click Add. EDExpress calculates the net adjustment amount, adds a line to the table with the adjustment, and calculates a new total.
10	Select File, Save from the menu bar to save the changes.

Important Changes and Helpful Hints

New Fields or Functions

- The Disbursement Release Indicator is a new field on the Disburse tab.
 - If the Disbursement Release Indicator is set to false (the checkbox is unmarked), the disbursement is *estimated* and COD accepts it as an Edit Only disbursement.
 - If the Disbursement Release Indicator is set to true (the checkbox is marked), the disbursement is actual and should be funded. When this field is checked, the Edit Only disbursement information for the corresponding row is copied into the Actual Disbursements grid as a new disbursement record and the row is disabled for further update.

Changes Based on DRI Status

- You can change the date and/or amount of the Edit Only disbursement and then check the DRI if the estimated data is no longer accurate.
- If the DRI is checked and the disbursement status is R and you want to change the date or amount, you must delete the disbursement so that the Edit Only disbursement is no longer grayed out. Then make the necessary changes and check the DRI again.
- If the DRI is checked and the disbursement status is **B** or **A**, you must create a disbursement adjustment (**N** or **A**) to change the amount, or a date adjustment (**Q**) to change the date.
- EDExpress will now allow you to save an actual disbursement when the loan status is at **R**. To save a disbursement, the MPN must still be at a status of **S**, **T**, **M** or **A**.
- To enter more than one transaction, you must save the record before entering an additional transaction.
- If you add a transaction to the table and want to remove it, close the current record without saving. Return to the record and enter the correct transaction.

Deleting Data

- You can delete an actual disbursement from the Actual Disbursement table if the Disbursement Status is **R** (Ready to export) or **E** (Rejected). You can do this by clicking in the **Disb** # field for the row that you wish to delete, and selecting **File**, **Delete** from the menu.
- If you have more than one actual disbursement to delete, you must delete the highest disbursement number first. For example, if you have rejected 1st and 2nd disbursements, you have to delete the second disbursement before you can delete the first.
- You cannot delete actual disbursements with a status of **B** (Batched) or **A** (Accepted).

Removed Items

- The Disbursement Confirmed flag was removed.
- Removed **D** and **U** as valid values from the Action Type field if entering data from within the Disburse tab. **D** and **U** are still available in multiple entry, but **U** now means **Update DRI** to true.

Creating Disbursements Using Multiple Entry

You can use Multiple Entry to update the DRI = true to create actual disbursements. This can be accomplished using two different disbursement Action Types: D and U. Using the Multiple Entry function in EDExpress allows you to enter disbursement information for a group of records at the same time, without opening each individual record.

The Step tables below provide instructions for using Multiple Entry to create actual disbursements. In addition, screen captures of these steps are provided on the pages that follow.

Step	Action
1	Select Process, Multiple Entry, Direct Loan from the menu.
2	To enter actual disbursements select the Disbursement Number field. All the other required fields to update the disbursement are checked:
	Disbursement Type
	Disbursement Amount
	Disbursement Date
	First Disbursement
3	Click the down arrow in the Disbursement Number Value field and select the disbursement number to update.
4	Click the down arrow in the Disbursement Type Value field and select the type to use.
	Use a value U: EDExpress sets the DRI = true and uses the Edit Only disbursement amount and date as the Actual Disbursement amount and date. No more entry is required. Skip to step 9 to select the report destination.
	Use a value D : EDExpress sets the DRI = true and you type the corresponding date and amount.
5	If you selected Disbursement Type D, the amount and date fields must be completed.
6	Type the Disbursement Amount in the Value field. You must enter the gross or net disbursement amount based on the option you selected in setup.
7	Type the Disbursement Date in the Value field. Type the value as MM/DD/CCYY. The software will add the slashes automatically.
8	If the disbursement number that you entered is greater than 1 and you want to make this the first disbursement, mark the First Disbursement checkbox.
9	Select the Report Destination : Screen, File or Printer. If you select File, you will need to identify the path and filename to save the file.
10	Select the records to update.
	Click the Selection Criteria button. The Selection Criteria dialog box displays.

Step	Action							
11	Click the ellipsis () button next to the Query Title text entry box to select a query.							
	Use a query that will filter records that have an acceptable MPN Status of S, A, T or M and identifies the disbursement number as not having an actual amount recorded.							
12	(Optional) Click Select Records to select particular records from the query-filtered list.							
	Click the checkbox in the Selected column for each record you want to update.							
	Click OK when you have selected the desired records.							
13	Click OK to update the selected records.							
14	This dialog box lists the records that will be updated in Last Name order. Each field you update appears in a column to the right of the Last Name column. The values you selected appear in the column under each field.							
	When the fields for the records contain the correct values and you have finished reviewing the list, click Save to update the records.							
15	The Record updates pending, save changes? dialog appears.							
	Click Yes to save your changes.							
	Click Yes again.							
16	The Multiple Entry Edit Report appears. Click the Zoom In button to view the student information.							
	Click Close when you are finished.							
17	If you are finished with Multiple Entry, click Cancel to close the Multiple Entry dialog box.							

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Disburse Tab with Edit Only Disbursement

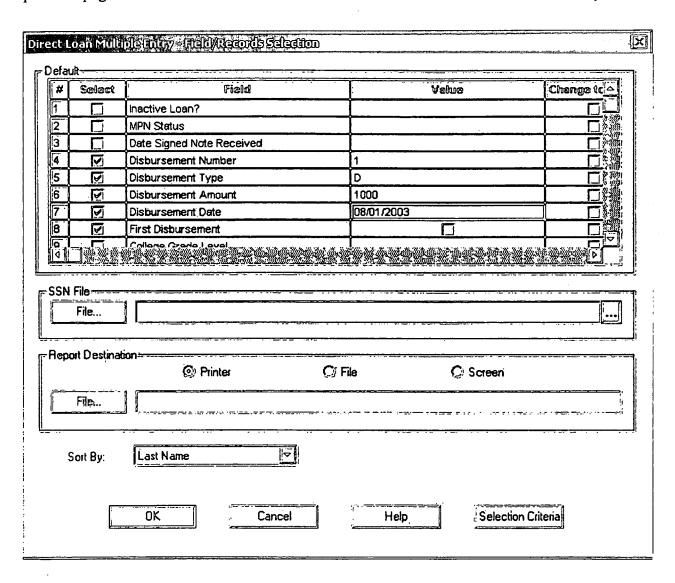
The first disbursement for this record is Edit Only with a disbursement date of 07/09/2003. Using Multiple Entry to update the DRI using the Action Type of D allows you to use a different date and amount from the Edit Only disbursement.

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Multiple Entry Dialog Box

Using the Disbursement Type D, we can add an actual disbursement to the record shown on the previous page and indicate a disbursement date and amount that differ from the Edit Only data.



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Disburse Tab Updated With Multiple Entry

Using the Multiple Entry options from the previous page, the actual disbursement was added with the amount \$1,000 and a date of 8/1/2003. Note the software also updated the Edit Only disbursement to reflect the change in amount and date.

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Disbursement Entry Methods

From Disburse Tab	Using Multiple Entry	Result
	Entering Disbursements	
Check Disbursement Release Indicator box and save.	Enter Disbursement Number, and Disbursement Type = U.	DRI is set to true and disbursement data will be included in next export. All data for the specific disbursement number mirrors the data for the same disbursement number in the Edit Only grid. A sequence number of 1 is assigned to the disbursement. The Edit Only disbursement is now disabled. No changes can be made to the Edit Only disbursement.
Change date and/or amount (for amount, enter Gross or Net based on Setup) for selected disbursement in Edit Only grid. Check Disbursement Release Indicator box and save.	Enter Disbursement Number, Disbursement Type = D, Disbursement Amount (Gross or Net, based on Setup), and Disbursement Date. -OR- Enter Disbursement Number and	DRI is set to true and disbursement data will be included in next export. All data for the specific disbursement number mirrors the data for the same disbursement number in the Edit Only grid. A sequence number of 1 is assigned to the disbursement. The Edit Only disbursement is now disabled. No changes can be made to
	Disbursement Amount and/or Date. Save. Then enter Disbursement Number and Disbursement Type = U.	disabled. No changes can be made to the Edit Only disbursement.

Disbursement Entry Methods (continued)

From Disburse Tab	Using Multiple Entry	Result
	Adjusting Disbursements	
In the Action row, select disbursement number, select type = A, enter disbursement date, and enter adjusted disbursement amount (Gross or Net, based on Setup). Save.	Enter Disbursement Number, Disbursement Type = A, adjusted Disbursement Amount (Gross or Net, based on Setup), and Disbursement Date.	Adjusted disbursement will be included in next export, with DRI = true. The adjustment is assigned a sequence number of 2 or higher (depending on how many times you've adjusted this particular disbursement). No corresponding transaction is entered in the Edit Only grid.
In the Action row, select disbursement number, select type = N, enter disbursement date, and enter net adjustment amount (you must enter a negative sign if this is a downward adjustment). Save.	Enter Disbursement Number, Disbursement Type = N, net adjustment amount (you must enter a negative sign if this is a downward adjustment), and Disbursement Date.	Adjusted disbursement will be included in next export, with DRI = true. The adjustment is assigned a sequence number of 2 or higher (depending on how many times you've adjusted this particular disbursement). No corresponding transaction is entered in the Edit Only grid.
In the Action row, select disbursement number, select type = Q, and enter corrected disbursement date. Save.	Enter Disbursement Number, Disbursement Type = Q, and corrected Disbursement Date.	Date adjustment will be included in next export, with DRI = true. The adjustment is assigned a sequence number of 2 or higher (depending on how many times you've adjusted this particular disbursement). No corresponding transaction is entered in the Edit Only grid.

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Your funding method indicates how your school substantiates disbursements and receives cash from GAPS.

The following are the Direct Loan Funding Method options:

DL Funding Methods	Calendar Days before Disbursement Date Disbursement can be Submitted
Advance Pay	7
Pushed Cash	7
Cash Monitoring 1 (CM1)	7
Cash Monitoring 2 (CM2)	On or after disbursement date
Reimbursement	On or after disbursement date

New for 2003-2004, there is a new field in your Direct Loan School Setup called Funding Method. This field determines the number of days prior to the actual disbursement date that a record may be submitted to COD.



Note: Funding processes for Advance Pay schools have not changed since 2002-2003.

Session 3—Disbursements

Pushed Cash

New for 2003-2004, your funding method determines the number of days before a disbursement date that EDExpress will allow the DRI to be set to true and have the disbursement affect your CFL. For Pushed Cash schools processing Direct Loan Disbursements, the DRI can be checked (true) no greater than 7 days prior to the disbursement date.

If COD accepts Direct Loan Disbursement records with Disbursement Release Indicator (DRI) = true (checked), the total of those disbursements becomes the school's Direct Loan Program Current Funding Level (CFL). The funds will automatically be deposited in the school's designated bank account via Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT). The school does not have a CFL until COD accepts and posts actual (DRI = true) disbursements.

Netting of Funds

As a Pushed Cash school, you may submit all types of disbursement data in a document to COD, including adjustments to previously submitted actual disbursements. The net total of the actual disbursements that COD accepts is the amount that is "pushed" to your account.

For example, you submit two disbursements; one for \$2,000 and another that is a downward adjustment of \$500 to a previously submitted disbursement. The amount of cash that is pushed to your account then is \$1,500.

Report Disbursements with Accepted MPN

In 2003-2004, Pushed Cash schools must continue to wait for an accepted MPN before submitting actual disbursement data, or the disbursement data will reject. You must have a business process in place to verify that students have an accepted MPN on file at COD prior to posting disbursements.

Session 4—Exports and Imports

Exports and Imports

In this lesson you will:

- Identify changes to the export and import processes due to COD
- Understand how these changes impact your school's business processes

Key Terms

Document Activity (formerly Batch Activity)

A grid showing all the documents that were imported to or exported from the school's EDExpress database. A new feature for 2003-2004 is that when you browse through the Document Activity grid you see all Pell and DL documents.

Receipt

Notification sent from the COD System indicating the system has received a school's Common Record and that it is readable and complies with the XML schema.

Regenerate

An EDExpress function that creates a new copy of a previously exported document. EDExpress saves the new copy under a new Document ID with a new filename extension. You can only regenerate Direct Loan and/or Pell documents that have a Document Status of \mathbb{R} (rejected) or blank (no response received).

Response

Document returned after processing is complete (formerly called an acknowledgement). Contains updated information, including edit comments and rejects, where applicable.

- Full Response: Contains all the original tags sent by the school as well as the rejected data elements and reason codes.
- Standard Response: Contains information (reject codes and explanation) pertaining only to those elements that did not pass edits.



Available at http://www.fsadownload.ed.gov

- 2003-2004 COD Technical Reference Volume II: Common Record Full Participant Technical Reference
- 2003-2004 COD Technical Reference Volume V: Direct Loan & Pell Grant Combination System Supplement
- 2003-2004 EDExpress Direct Loan Desk Reference
- 2003-2004 EDESuite Process Guide

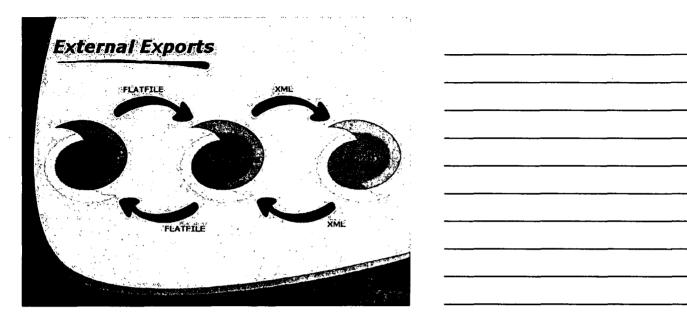
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Appendix A: 2003-2004 EDExpress Changes

Appendix E: Exporting to an External System, Import Edit Report



Exporting Data to an External System

You still can export data from your EDExpress database to an external system using an ASCII text flat file. For 2003-2004, there are few changes to the external export. As is typical from one year to the next, the changes pertain to new, modified, or eliminated fields.



Note: The Export to External field indicates whether or not actual disbursement information for the loan record is available to be exported to an external system. The value for this field is initially Y. It changes to N only if actual disbursement data for this record has been exported to an external system.



Tips:

- See the 2003-2004 Common Origination and Disbursement (COD) Technical Reference for Direct Loan export record layouts and for information on using data from EDExpress with other systems.
- See the online help in EDExpress for information on creating and using file formats.
- See Appendix E for instructions on how to export data from EDExpress to an external system.

Session 4—Exports and Imports

Exports and Imports	
 Batches are now called documents Only two message classes for COD Exports = COMRECIN Imports = COMRECOP Acknowledgements are now called responses 	

Exports and Imports

In the COD System, Common Record (XML) files are called documents. Common Record (XML) files that have been processed by COD are sent back to you as *responses*. Files in flat file format (non-XML) (i.e., SAS, DL Rebuild file, Entrance and Exit Counseling Results and External Import Files) are still called batches. COD will return an acknowledgement for each batch.

COD uses only two message classes for Common Record exports and imports:

- COMRECIN for exports
- COMRECOP for imports



Note: The COD Common Record import and export message class names do not contain the program year. Filename extensions increment up to .999 as they do now, then EDExpress alerts you that you can save the files to another location. The numbering then begins again.



Tip:

See Appendix A for a listing of important changes to the 2003-2004 EDExpress software.

Exports and Imports	
 Can export Direct Loan and Pell data together or separately 	
 Same Document Activity grid for Direct Loan and Pell 	
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Exports and Imports

EDExpress exports Direct Loan information in one COD Common Record document that may include a combination of Edit Only (origination), change and actual disbursement data. You may also choose to combine both Direct Loan and Pell Grant data in one Common Record document.

You can send the actual disbursement data at the same time or after you send the Edit Only data. However, in order to send actual disbursement data separately from Edit Only data, you must use a query that selects only the actual disbursement data. Whatever data you select to export (Edit Only data with or without actual disbursement data) will be placed in the same message class—COMRECIN. After this data is received and processed, you'll receive a single response with the message class COMRECOP.



Note: We strongly recommend that your school establish a regular import and export schedule. The timeliness of your exports to COD—as well as your imports of receipts and responses—is critical to the Direct Loan process.



Tip:

EDExpress assigns a unique document ID to every document that you export. At the conclusion of the export process, an Export Statistics box displays the document ID.

You can view the list of documents that have been exported on the *Document Activity* tab under **Tools**, **Browse**, **Direct Loan**. While the grid is the same for both Direct Loan and Pell, the reports generated are different.

xporting Data to COD
Origination and disbursement data is exported in one Common Record
One message class for exporting origination/Edit Only, disbursement, and change data — COMRECIN
Selection criteria buttons
- DL Orig/Edit Only - DL Disbursements

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Instead of exporting separate batches of Direct Loan origination, disbursement and change records, EDExpress now exports all Direct Loan data in a COD Common Record document. You may choose to combine both Direct Loan and Pell data in one Common Record.



Notes:

- As in the past, you must still export disbursements and disbursement adjustments within 30 days of their occurrence.
- Inactive loans are excluded from the Common Record export to COD.
- Once Edit Only data has been exported to COD, any change to that data will be automatically exported in the next Common Record.

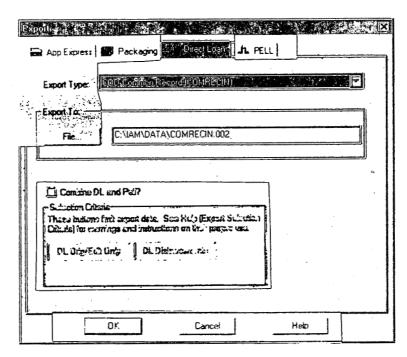
Regenerating Documents

The regenerate function creates a new copy of a previously exported document. EDExpress saves the new copy under a new Document ID and with a new filename extension. You should only regenerate a file if you have lost or accidentally deleted an exported file that was not transmitted to COD, or if COD never received your file. Before regenerating a file, you should first verify (by using the COD Website and/or by calling your COD CSR) that COD never received the missing file.



Note: You can only regenerate documents that have a status of blank (no response received) or R (rejected).

Selection Criteria and Queries



The DL Orig/Edit Only and DL Disbursements buttons access the Selection Criteria and Query functions for the Export dialog box. The DL Orig/Edit Only button corresponds to and retrieves Edit Only data from the Loans tab. The DL Disbursements button corresponds to and retrieves disbursement data. If you use neither button, all Direct Loan data with a status of R (Ready to Send) or E (Rejected) are exported.

The Selection Criteria function works a bit differently here than in the other parts of EDExpress. To export Edit Only and disbursement data for the same students, you must use both buttons to select the records, or you might export more records than you intended. For example, if you use the DL Orig/Edit Only button to select seven records and then start the export, those seven records plus all disbursement data with a status of R or E are exported. Similarly, if you select seven records using the DL Disbursements button, those seven records plus all Edit Only records at status R are exported.



Tip:

To exclude rejected records from your export, you can create queries that select on loan status or disbursement status not equal to E. You'll need two different queries—one that applies to the DL Orig/Edit Only button and another that applies to the DL Disbursements button.

Selection Criteria and Queries (continued)

The table below shows the way the buttons would work in different scenarios with five student records. "R" status means "Ready to Export."

DL Orig/Edit Only Button	DL Disbursements Button	What happens?
Select five records	Select the same five records	Only those five records export
Select five records	Select five different records	Only the five originations and five disbursements export; disbursements are rejected if corresponding Edit Only data was not previously accepted at COD
Select five records	Not used	The five origination records plus all disbursements in database at R or E status export; disbursements are rejected if corresponding Edit Only data was not previously accepted at COD
Not used	Select five records	The five disbursements plus all originations at R or E status in the database export
Not used	Not used	All records at R or E status in the database export

EDExpress still treats origination and disbursement data separately, because we know that you're accustomed to working with separate origination and disbursement records. Of course, now the data is exported to COD in one record—the COD Common Record.



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Note: When exporting Direct Loan data, there is no way to exclude a change to a previously batched Edit Only record. For example, if you select five Edit Only records and five disbursement records, you will send the five Edit Only records, the five disbursements, plus any "change" data that had not been previously exported.



Instructor Demonstration

In this demonstration, the instructor will use EDExpress to export a Common Record document using a query.

Export a Document

Here are the steps for exporting a document to send to COD. Both origination and disbursement records are included in the document.

Step	Action		
1,	Select File, Export, then the Direct Loan tab.		
2	Select COD Common Record (COMRECIN) for the export type.		
3	Verify the file location and change if necessary.		
4	If you want to combine Pell and Direct Loan data in this document, mark the Combine DL and Pell? checkbox in the Export dialog box.		
5	You can export all data that is ready to send, or you may choose specific data to include in the export document by using selection criteria or queries.		
	Choose data to include in the export document by using selection criteria and queries. You can use either or both of these buttons to select the data, but we recommend using both:		
	DL Orig/Edit Only selects origination data (on the Loans tab). Select the same records with DL Disbursements button if you do not want to export all disbursement data in the database also.		
	DL Disbursements selects disbursement data (on the Disburse tab). Select the same records with DL Orig/Edit Only button if you do not want to export all origination data in the database also.		
6	Click OK . A progress bar appears within an In Progress box, which displays the document file name and document ID.		



Note: EDExpress assigns a document ID to each document that is exported or imported.



Tip:

The next two pages provide sample screen captures of the batch search functionality on the COD Website.

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COD Website Batch Search

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Receipts and Responses

After COD receives the data you export, a *receipt* is sent to your school to confirm that COD received the data and that it follows the XML schema. You'll get a receipt for every Common Record (COMREC) document sent to COD. While the receipts you import into EDExpress are recorded in the document activity, they don't update any data in the EDExpress database.

Then after COD processes your data, a Common Record *response* document is returned. The response replaces the Origination Acknowledgement, Change Acknowledgement, and Disbursement Acknowledgement import types, and it contains all data elements, including rejected data and edits.

EDExpress also updates the corresponding document ID in the Document Activity database with a response date and displays any reject reasons on the Loans and/or Disburse tabs. EDExpress updates the loan status and disbursement status codes for each record in the document with A (Accepted) or E (Rejected).

As with other EDExpress imports, an Import Edit report is generated that reports statistics about the import at the end of the import process. Information about Edit Only, changes to Edit Only, and disbursement data appears in separate sections of the report. The totals at the end of the report indicate the number of accepted records in the document. Records that have been accepted or rejected are listed in detail and appear in the totals section at the bottom of the report.

Edit Codes

Reasons for rejects are indicated by three-digit edit codes. These edit codes are categorized as Warning (W) or Rejected (R). When you import responses, these codes and any rejected data elements are included to explain what happened to your data in processing. After you've resolved the rejects, EDExpress includes the corrected data in the next Common Record export.

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Receipts and Responses (continued)

Document Integrity

COD returns a Common Record receipt and a Common Record response (COMRECOP) file for every Common Record (COMRECIN) file your school submits. Both the receipt and the response always contain the document ID of the corresponding submission. The response contains the same number of records as the exported document.

The document integrity rule applies to Common Record exports initiated by your school. However, it does not apply to COD initiated batches, data imported from other EDExpress modules, or data imported from external files.



Note: COD acknowledges MPNs as they are processed and generates a unique document ID, which is returned with the response. This COD-generated document ID is not the same as the manifest document ID generated by EDExpress.

Other Responses

Booking notifications, MPN acknowledgements, PLUS credit decision overrides, and servicer refunds are no longer sent in their previous message classes. All are sent to the school via a Common Record response. The import edit report, when printed, will indicate in the title what kind of data the COMREC contains.



Note: You cannot build or rebuild an EDExpress database by importing only the COD response. If you need to rebuild your database, request a DL Rebuild file and use DL Tools to rebuild the database.



Tip:

The edit codes are listed in the 2003-2004 COD Technical Reference, which is available for download at FSAdownload.ed.gov.



Instructor Demonstration

Import a Receipt or Response

To import a receipt or response you've received from COD:

Step	Action	
1	Select File, Import, then the Direct Loan tab.	
2	Select COD Common Record (COMRECOP) for the import type.	
3	Verify the file location and change if necessary.	
4	Choose the destination for the Import Edit report.	
5	Click OK to start the import.	

Import Edit Report

You may want to extract and distribute the different sections of the Import Edit report to certain staff members at your school. Here's how to create a new file containing that information:

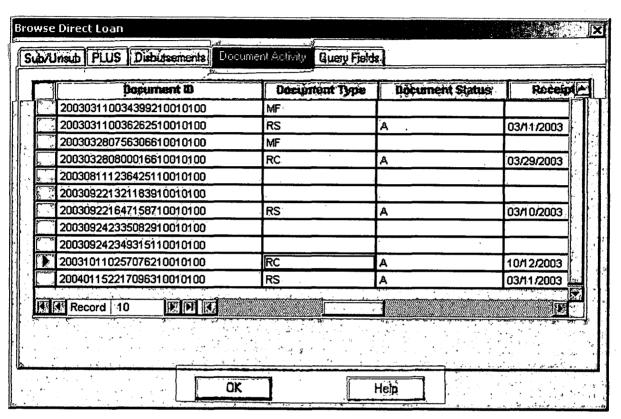
Step	Action
1	When you import the response document, choose File as the report destination in the Import dialog box.
2	After the import is finished, use Notepad or WordPad to open the file where you saved the Import Edit report.
3	Select the sections of the report that you want to include in the new file.
4	Use the right-click menu or press Ctrl-C to copy the sections to the Windows clipboard.
5	Select File, New from the menu bar and use the right-click menu or press Ctrl-V to paste the sections into a new file.
6	Save the file with a new name.



See Appendix E for an example of a response.

Document Activity Grid

The Document Activity grid shows imported and exported documents. The imported document can be identified by a date recorded in the Response Import Date column and a Response type recorded in the Document Activity column.





Tip:

You can also track the status of batches via the COD Website at https://cod.ed.gov.

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Fields in the Document Activity Database

Field	Use
Document ID	The Date and Time stamp with the Source Entity ID. The format is:
	CCYY-MM-DDTHH:mm:ss.ff99999999
Regenerate ID, Date and Time	Information about the user and when the file was regenerated
Import File Name	Drive and path location and name of file imported (all Common Record files are COMRECOP)
Export File Name	Drive and path location and name of file assigned and exported by EDExpress (all Common Record files are COMRECIN)
Document Type	The type of document returned from COD in the COMRECOP message class
	RC Receipt
	RS Response
	PN Promissory Note
	CO Credit Decision
	BN Booking Notification
	PS Payment to Servicing
Document Status	Information provided in the receipt as to the acceptance or rejection of the document by COD
Receipt Import Date	Date the receipt was imported into EDExpress
Response Import Date	Date the response was imported into EDExpress
Process Date	Date that the document was processed by COD
Add ID, Date and Time	Information about the user and when the file was imported or exported
Update ID, Date and Time	Information about the user and when the file was imported or exported, such as a response to a document

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Data Management

In this session you will:

- Use a combination of queries, EDExpress reports, and COD reports to effectively manage data
- Identify web-based tools to research and accurately resolve data issues



Available at http://www.fsadownload.ed.gov

- 2003-2004 COD Technical Reference Volume II: Common Record Full Participant Technical Reference
- 2003-2004 COD Technical Reference Volume VIII: Appendices
- 2003-2004 EDExpress Direct Loan Desk Reference
- 2003-2004 EDESuite Process Guide

Available via IFAP at http://www.ifap.ed.gov

- EDExpress Basics Web-based Training
- COD Computer Based Training

2003-2004 EDExpress Online Help

Electronic Announcements, Bulletins, Letters

 Updated COD Website Access for Schools: Posted 3/18/03 at http://www.ifap.ed.gov/cod/0318Schoolaccess.html

FAA Access to CPS Online

• Available at: http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/FAA/faa.htm

Appendix A: 2003-2004 EDExpress Changes

Appendix B: FAA Access to CPS Online

Appendix C: COD System & Website

Appendix D: Other Web Tools & Resources

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Tools for Data Manag	ement	
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Tools for Data Management

As a COD Full Participant and EDExpress user, you have an assortment of tools available to help manage your data. EDExpress provides a number of reports (described in detail later in this session) that help identify problems, such as rejects, and anticipate funding needs.

In addition, you can access your school's information from the COD Website or by importing report data generated by the COD System into your EDExpress database.

If you need to make updates to correct a problem or to simply record an award, both FAA Access to CPS Online (e.g., for the student's application data) and the COD Website (e.g., for the student's award or disbursement information) allow you to very quickly add or update information online.

FAA Access to CPS Online	
Access via EDExpress	
• View student applicant data	
Correct applicant data	
Import corrected data into EDExpress	

FAA Access to CPS Online

When Direct Loan origination data is submitted to the COD System, the student's *current* Social Security Number and *current* date of birth are matched to student's application data from the CPS. If the data doesn't match, you may need to correct the student's ISIR data. One option is to use FAA Access to CPS Online to quickly process the correction. Just as you always have, you'll receive the revised ISIR data and import it into your EDExpress database.

Tips:



- See Appendix B for a sample screen of what you see when you correct a student's CPS data via FAA Access to CPS Online, as well as for instructions on how to enroll as a user.
- For 2003-2004, you can access FAA Access to CPS Online directly from EDExpress via a link from the View option. Or you can go to http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/faa/faa/htm.

EDExpress Reports	
Print lists Loan Eligibility	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
– Edit Only Disbursements	
– Actual Disbursements – Status	
Loans	
 Import data request files generated by COD 	

EDExpress Reports

EDExpress provides lists through the Print function that identify detailed information about student loan data. To resolve data discrepancies and to manage your data, you can use queries in combination with any of these EDExpress Lists (reports).

Report	Information Provided	Why Use It?
Loan Eligibility	All the fields in EDExpress affecting a student's loan eligibility for Direct	To view all components of the loan data at one time for each student
	Subsidized and Direct Unsubsidized loans	To help determine if a student has exceeded loan eligibility
		To determine loan for which the LAA does not equal the disbursement total
Edit Only Disbursements	Loan ID, borrower's name, student's name, disbursement number(s), disbursement	To identify disbursements with DRI = false
	date(s), Edit Only disbursement(s), as well as the actual disbursement(s) and action type, if applicable	Can be used to anticipate funding needs
Actual Disbursements	Borrower's name, student's name, loan ID, disbursement document ID, current SSN, disbursement number, disbursement type, disbursement date, disbursement status, disbursement amount, booked status, and the net adjustment amount (where actual disbursement adjustments are included)	To identify records with actual disbursements (DRI = true)

EDExpress Reports (continued)

Report	Information Provided	Why Use It?
Status	Borrower's name, student's name, loan ID, current SSN, disbursement number, disbursement type, disbursement date, disbursement status, net adjustment amount, origination status, MPN status and credit decision	Provides a summary of statuses for all loans with at least one actual disbursement to allow you to determine if any data for a specific loan has not been accepted by COD
Loans	Information regarding user loan records on the system, including the loan ID, borrower's name, type of loan, loan amount approved, loan origination status and loan origination date	Identifies loan records in the EDExpress system



Notes:

- In addition to the lists that can be printed from your EDExpress database, there are a number of reports available from COD. Once COD sends a report to you via the SAIG, you can import the file into your EDExpress database to print the report.
- The Student Summary is a new report that contains the student's demographic, award, Direct Loan and Pell Grant data. It is available in all modules, whether a student record is open or closed, and access to it can be restricted with the Security Groups setup feature.

Tip:

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More information about the reports available from the COD System is provided beginning on page 5-20.

EDExpress Reports

Loan Eligibility List

The Loan Eligibility List enables you to print all the fields in EDExpress affecting a student's loan eligibility for Direct Subsidized and Direct Unsubsidized loans. This report includes the following fields/amounts:

- Loan Period Start Date
- Loan Period End Date
- Academic Year Start Date
- Academic Year End Date
- Inactive Loan Indicator
- Total Loan Amount Approved
- Total Actual Disbursement Amount
- Student Grade Level
- Dependency Status
- · Additional Unsub Eligibility for Dependent flag
- Additional Unsub Eligibility for Health Professions flag

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                                    (ALL RECORDS)
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Student's Name
                                   Current SSN
                   Loan Stat LP Start Acad Yr Start Grd Lvl Addl Unsub
Gross Disb Amt LP End Acad Yr End Dep Stat Depend/Health
 Loan ID
   Loan Amt App Gross Disb Amt LP End
BERNINI, BROOKE S. 115-97-4419
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  Total Actual Disbursement Gross Amount: $
  Total NSLDS Aggregate Subsidized Amount:
  Total NSLDS Aggregate Unsubsidized Amount:
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                                                07/01/2003
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   $ 5,500
                                                06/30/2004
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  Total Actual Disbursement Gross Amount: $ 1,375
  Total NSLDS Aggregate Subsidized Amount: $ 3,500
Total NSLDS Aggregate Unsubsidized Amount: $ N
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  Total NSLDS Aggregate Unsubsidized Amount: $
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                                   $ 6,885
  Total Actual Disbursement Gross Amount: $
  Total NSLDS Aggregate Subsidized Amount: $ 10,699
  Total NSLDS Aggregate Unsubsidized Amount: $ N/A
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  Total NSLDS Aggregate Unsubsidized Amount:
Total Students:
                       5
Total Loans:
• Inactive Loan
# Payment to Servicer made on Loan
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Edit-Only Disbursements List

The Edit-Only Disbursements List (formerly known as the Anticipated Disbursement List report) provides information about Edit Only disbursements with corresponding actual disbursements (Edit Only disbursements for which actual disbursements have taken place), pending actual disbursements (Edit Only disbursements with no actual disbursements) or both Edit Only disbursements with corresponding actual disbursements and pending actual disbursements for the loan records in the EDExpress Direct Loan database.

Use this list to determine actual disbursements for each Edit Only disbursement in the system. The list prints the:

- Loan ID
- Borrower's name
- Student's name
- Disbursement number(s)
- Disbursement date(s)
- Edit Only disbursement(s)
- Actual disbursement(s)
- Action type, if applicable

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Total Net Amount:		\$0.00	\$0.00	
Total Fee Amount:		\$0.00	\$0.00	
Total Rebate Amount:		\$0.00	\$0.00	
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Subsidized Loans:				
Total Gross Amount:		\$5,393.00	\$5,393.00	
Total Net Amount:		\$5,316.00	\$5,316.00	
Total Fee Amount:		\$159.00	\$159.00	
Total Rebate Amount:		\$82.00	\$82.00	
Incubaidized Leans				
Unsubsidized Loans: Total Gross Amount:		\$375.00	\$375.00	
Total Net Amount:		\$370.00	\$370.00	
Total Fee Amount:		\$11.00	\$11.00	
Total Rebate Amount:		\$6.00	\$6.00	
		40.00	40.00	
Grand Total:				
Total Gross Amount:		\$5,768.00	\$5,768.00	
Total Net Amount:		\$5,686.00	\$5,686.00	
		\$170.00	\$170.00	
Total Fee Amount:		4-7-0-0		

Actual Disbursements List

The Actual Disbursements list provides information about actual disbursements, including:

- Borrower's name
- Student's name
- Loan ID
- Disbursement Document ID
- Current SSN
- Disbursement number
- Disbursement type
- Disbursement date
- Disbursement status
- Disbursement amount
- Booked status
- Net adjustment amount (where actual disbursement adjustments are included)

The list also includes summary totals that provide the total dollar amount of net booked, net unbooked and net disbursements for each loan type.

You can print the list according to booked record data, such as booked disbursements, unbooked disbursements or both booked and unbooked disbursements. You can also print the list by Disbursement Amount Types, such as net disbursement totals, gross disbursement totals, or gross, fee, and net disbursement totals. However, summary totals display only total net dollar amounts of booked, unbooked, and disbursements for each loan type.

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BERNINI, BROOKE S.	115-97-4419				
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MCKINNEL, SUSIE A.	194-63-3796				•.
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	1 D 08/01/2003		985	R	Unbooked
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Net Disbursement Total for Student	:	\$	985		
SHEPLEY, OLIVIA R.	320-20-8359		÷		
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	1 D 08/30/2003		1,355	R	Unbooked
Net Disbursement Total for Loan:			1,355		•
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Net Disbursement Total for Student	:	\$	1,035		
CORREA, CARLOS P.	377-70-2499				
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	1 D 07/09/2003	\$	370	E	Unbooked
Net Disbursement Total for Loan:	07/03/2003	\$	370		
Net Disbursement Total for Student	:	\$	370		
KAHN, CINDY L.	601-32-7907				
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Borrower's Name					
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Total Net Booked Unsubsidized:		\$	0		
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Total Net Unbooked Unsubsidized	:	\$	370		
Total Net Disbursements PLUS:			0		
Total Net Disbursements Subsidi	zed:	\$	5,316		
Total Net Disbursements Unsubsi	dized:	Ś	370		

Status List

This report lists booked and unbooked records. The report can be used to compare EDExpress Direct Loan data to COD data received in the School Account Statement (imported into DL Tools).

The Booked Records section includes all records that have actual disbursements with a booked status of A (accepted). You can also use the disbursement date range option to specify the data you want to print in the Booked Records section.

The Unbooked Records section includes all records that have actual disbursements with a booked status of not equal to A.

At the end of the report are summary count statistics for the record types on the database up to the given end date. Summary counts display the total number, percentage and statuses of the displayed records. The following are the statuses recorded in the summary count section of this report:

В	Batched Origination Records
E	Rejected Origination Records
Α	Accepted Origination Records
S	Signed Promissory Notes
M	Prom Notes Sent on Manifest
E and Q	Rejected Promissory Notes
X	Pending Promissory Notes
Α	Accepted Promissory Notes
R	Ready Disbursement Records
В	Batched Disbursement Records
E	Rejected Disbursement Records
Α	Accepted Disbursement Records
T	Existing Promissory Notes

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Unbooked Records								
Student's Name PLUS Borrower's Name Loan ID	Current SSN	Orig Sts	Sts	Sts/#	Disb Type	Net Disb Amt	Date	
BERNINI, BROOKE S.	115-97-4419							
115974419S04G99997001		A	T	R 1	D	\$647	07/09/2003	
MCKINNEL, SUSIE A.	194-63-3796							
194633796S04G99997001		A	M	R 1	D	\$985	08/01/2003	
SHEPLEY, OLIVIA R.	320-20-8359							
320208359S04G99998001		A	s	R 1	D	\$1,355	08/30/2003	
VAN DER ROHE, HEATHER M.	322-77-0384							
322770384S04G99999001		R	Ŧ	R 1	D	\$1,035	08/29/2003	
CORREA, CARLOS P.	377-70-2499							•
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KAHN, CINDY L.	601-32-7907			•				
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GEHRY, RICHARD J.	603-93-6471							
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S = Signed Promissory Notes: M = Prom Notes Sent on Manifest: E and Q = Rejected Promissory Not X = Pending Promissory Notes: A = Accepted Promissory Notes:	es:		1 1 0 0 0 0	12.86% 14.29% 0.00% 0.00%				
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Total Records: 7								

Loans

The Loans list provides the user with information regarding the loan records on the system, including:

- Loan ID
- Borrower's name
- Loan type
- Loan amount approved
- Loan origination status
- Loan origination date

You can print the list by SSN for a single student record or multiple records.

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PLUS Borrower's Name Loan ID Origination Document ID	******* Current Loan Type	ECORD ORMAT ***** SSN Grd	S) ION PRO ****** Loan 1	*****	******	*****		
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Student Summary

The Student Summary Report contains the student's demographic, award, loan, and Pell Grant data. It is available in all modules, whether a student record is open or closed, and access to it can be restricted with the Security Groups setup feature. This report provides a snapshot of the information stored for the student in EDExpress.

Report Date: 09/23/2003 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PAGE:

Report Time: 21:31:00 EDEXPRESS - 2003-2004

Student Summary

THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS SENSITIVE INFORMATION PROTECTED BY THE PRIVACY ACT

Name: BERNINI, BROOKE S.

Original SSN: 115-97-4419 Current SSN: 115-97-4419 Date Of Birth: 07/23/1984

E-Mail:

ISIR TRANSACTIONS

Transaction ID	Primary EFC	Secondary EFC
115-97-4419 BE 01	3045	
115-97-4419 BE 02	3045	

Active: 02 Paid On:

DIRECT LOANS (which have been disbursed)

	ISIR	Amount	Actual Disb	Actual Disb
Loan ID	Trans #	Approved	Gross	Net
115974419S04G99997001	02	\$2,625	\$656	\$647

PELL GRANTS (which have disbursements)

Origination ID	ISIR Trans #	For Entire School Year	Edit Only Disb	Actual Disb
115974419BE200400999700	02	\$1.000	\$1,000	\$0.00
110371111300000000333700	72	42,000	7-,000	40.00

COD Reports
Access reports via the COD Website
 Pending Disbursement List
– Funded Disbursement List
- 30-day Warning List
- SSN/Name/Date of Birth Change
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COD Reports

Along with the Direct Loan reports available from EDExpress, you also have access to a number of similar reports via the COD System. These reports are available to schools via:

- The Student Aid Internet Gateway (SAIG)
- COD School Relations at 1 (800) 848-0978
- COD Website at https://cod.ed.gov

Direct Loan reports that you request from COD School Relations are sent to your SAIG mailbox as fixed length, flat files—not as XML documents. Just as in prior years, each report type has its own corresponding message class and is imported into your EDExpress database.

The reports and the formats provided are listed in the table below. Note that reports you can view directly from the COD Website are in the Adobe Acrobat PDF format.

Report	Description	Message Class	Format
School Account	Generated monthly, replaces DLSAS & 732	DSDF	FL
Statement (SAS)	Includes loan detail at disbursement or loan level	DSLF	
	Year-to-Date and monthly cash summary	DSDD	CD
	Year-to-Date and monthly disbursement summary by loan type	DSLD	
Pending	Generated weekly	DALC	CD
Disbursement List	DRI = false	DIAA	PT
	Includes MPN linking information		PDF
	Formerly Anticipated Disbursement Listing		

		Message	
Report	Description	Class	Format
Funded	Generated daily	DARC	CD
Disbursement List	Displays all disbursements that have been funded	DIAO	PT
	Formerly Actual Disbursement Roster		PDF
30-day Warning	Generated every 30 days	DIWC	CD
	Lists unbooked loans for which the COD System	DIWR	PT
	has not received the required elements for booking		PDF
	a loan within 30 calendar days of the disbursement date		
Inactive Loans	Generated monthly	INACCD	CD
	Lists all Direct Loan awards that have been	INACPF	PT
	inactivated (adjusted to 0) by the school for the		PDF
	reporting period		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Duplicate Student	Generated monthly	DUPLCD	CD
Borrower	Lists student borrowers for which the COD System	DUPLPF	PT
	has accepted multiple Direct Sub and/or Unsub		PDF
	award records with the same or overlapping academic years		
SSN/Name/Date of	Generated daily	SNDCCD	CD
Birth Change	Shows SSN, name and date of birth changes that	SNDCPF	PT
	are initiated by any school and SSN changes that	SNDCII	PDF
	are initiated by Direct Loan Servicing		1 D1
Direct Loan Rebuild	Upon request	CODRBF	FL
	Used to rebuild the school's lost or corrupted Direct		
	Loan database or to recreate specific student		
	records		
Report Form	ats: CD = comma delimited; PT = preformatted text; F	L = fixed lengt	h_



Note: Neither the SAS nor the Direct Loan Rebuild file can be imported into EDExpress. Instead, they are imported into DL Tools.

Tip:



When you select a comma delimited file on the COD Website, the file opens as an Excel spreadsheet that you can then save.

COD Website	٠.	· •		·	·		_ • •
Data Entry	÷	•	•				
- Correct rejected data		-			·		
- Create Student Account		-			 -	 -	
- Adjust disbursement data		-					
- Update student information	•					· '	
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Data Entry

Activities such as processing a new student, award or disbursement, or a change to any of these can be performed on the COD Website. As an EDExpress user you need to be aware of the ramifications of performing any of these data entry functions on the COD Website. Actions by COD based on your choices for creating and submitting records include:

You	COD	You
Create a new record in EDExpress (origination, Edit Only disbursements, etc.)	Accepts the data and sends a response	Import the response and update the status
Make corrections to an origination or disbursement record in EDExpress	Accepts the data and sends a response	Import the response and update the status
Create a new record or make a correction (award or disbursement) on the COD Website	If Response Records, generated based on Web activity, is selected as your processing option, sends a response with a Document Type of "WB"	Cannot import the response in EDExpress to "build" the record Add the record to EDExpress and submit to COD. You will receive a response for a duplicate with an accepted status
Create a new record or make a correction (award or disbursement) on the COD Website	If Response Records, generated based on Web activity, is not selected as your processing option, does not send a response	Add the record to EDExpress and submit to COD. You will receive a response for a duplicate with an accepted status

You can select the processing option for your school on the COD Website. This processing option determines whether the COD System sends response documents to your school's SAIG mailbox based on activity performed on the COD Website.

If you select to receive a response document for activity performed on the COD Website, the Document Type returned is "WB," indicating a web initiated response.

Before you add a record, award or disbursement data to the COD Website, you should first ask:

- Does the student have an existing record at COD?
- Does the student have an award?
- Does the award need to be changed?



Note: A COD receipt is not generated for Common Record data submitted via the COD Website.

Tip:



See Appendix C for step-by-step instructions on how to use the COD Website to create or update records along with sample screens of what you'll see. In addition, instructions on how to get access to the COD Website are provided.

Activity: Data Management Case Studies

In the following case studies, each scenario provides instructions for locating different types of information and resolving any issues regarding the information. Your instructor will divide the class into small groups and assign a scenario for each group to evaluate. Review the information provided and decide what the "Best Practice" would be for resolving the issue. At the conclusion of the activity your group will report your findings to the class.

Scenario 1

It is 1/7/2004, and the Business Office at FSA University (G99999) has requested a list of students that are/were eligible to receive loan funds on or before 1/14/2004.

1. What report would you print in EDExpress to provide the information requested by the Business

	Office?
2.	What query and/or options in EDExpress would allow you to filter the data on the report so that only students attending FSA University who are scheduled for disbursement on or before 1/14/2004 appear on the report (note that the database contains loans for 3 different schools)?
3.	Print the report. How much money is needed to fund all of the disbursements that appear?
4.	Can you submit all of the disbursements that appear on the report to COD today, or must you wait? How did you determine this?
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5.	To print a similar report at your own institution, what criteria might you include in a query?
6.	Once you report these disbursements in EDExpress, how can you determine that all of the disbursements were entered accurately?

Scenario 2

It is near the end of the semester and a student comes into your office to inform you that his total disbursements are less than his loan amount approved. You take a look at his loan data in EDExpress and find that he is correct. It occurs to you that there may be similar instances that you are not aware of. You would like to print a list to identify all loans that have not been fully disbursed.

•	Is there a list in EDExpress that can provide you with this information? If so, which list(would you print?
•	How is/are the list(s) useful in identifying loans that have not been fully disbursed?
	What are some scenarios that might result in the total disbursed amount being less than the
	LAA?
•	What are some suggestions for resolving the loans identified?

Session 5—Data Management

Scenario 3

You need to identify all the rejects that are present in the EDExpress database and determine what action to take to resolve the issue. Identify rejects for all schools in the database.

- 1. You have one outstanding response file that must be imported before you begin.
- 2. Locate and import the file COMRECOP.010. Print the import edit report to the screen.
- 3. Are any students with rejects included?
- 4. If so, identify their problem to resolve.

- 5. What lists might you print to identify records with reject codes?
- 6. Provide information for any queries that you used or developed to identify records.
- 7. Locate and consider a rejected origination record due to a Date of Birth that conflicts with COD data. What tools would you use to verify the DOB in each system? How would you make a correction to the DOB?

Activity: Action Items as Art

You've now spent all day learning about changes for 2003-2004 and you've been thinking about the impact these changes may have on the way your school processes Direct Loans. You probably have jotted down some action steps you will have to take upon returning to your office, to prepare for 2003-2004.

Let's see what the right side of your brain thinks of these action items. In the blank space below, draw one of the action items you've thought of today.

Think: What is one task I need to be sure to accomplish when I get back to the office, to prepare for 2003-2004?

Draw it!

Session 6—Wrap-Up



Ask-It Basket Answers					
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EDExpress Direct Loan Processing



Notes:

- EDExpress must be properly setup before DL processing can begin at the school.
- Valid ISIR must exist (for SSL/USL) before DL processing can begin for a student.

:	School creates loan (for PLUS, the parent must first authorize a credit check)	
	* Manually create and originate in EDExpress	
	* Import ISIRs and manually originate in EDExpress	
	* Import from the EDExpress Packaging module (automatic origination)	
2	* Import from an external source (DIEA - automatic origination)	
ŧ	Borrower receives Disclosure Statement prior to or at the time of disbursement (Plain Language Disclosure must also be provided if for subsequent loans at a MYF school)	
	* COD provides to Borrower	
	* School prints and provides to Borrower	
3	School assumes that a valid MPN exists (For a subsequent loan that will be linked to a previously accepted MPN, a MYF school must have a confirmation process in place. Active confirmation is required for PLUS. A school may choose Active or Passive confirmation for SSL and USL.)	
	* Look on COD Website to determine if existing MPN is active and will link to new loans made at your school	
	* Review EDExpress MPN status; if "A" or "T", assume MPN exists	
	* School refers borrower to http://dlenote.ed.gov	
	* School prints MPN using EDExpress and obtains borrower signature	
	* COD prints MPN and sends to borrower for signature; informs school	
	* COD prints MPN and sends to school; school obtains signature from borrower	
į	* School prints MPN using an external source and obtains borrower signature	
4	If MPN was printed and school has obtained borrower signature, school marks MPN as signed	
•	* MPN marked as signed via multiple entry	
	* MPN marked as signed from within student record	
5	School manifests signed MPNs	

Session 6—Wrap-Up

#	Task	Frequency	Assigned To
6	School mails manifest and signed MPNs to processor		
7	School receives hardcopy manifest and rejected MPNs from processor and resolves any issues		
8	School receives COMRECOP and determines that MPN has been accepted by COD		
9	School verifies that Entrance Counseling has been completed by 1 st time, 1 st year borrowers		
	* School refers borrower to http://www.dlssonline.com/entrancecounseling/main-entc.asp and imports Entrance Counseling Results (DECF) into EDExpress * School imports Entrance Counseling data from mainframe/		
	* School conducts entrance counseling session and records completion date in EDExpress via multiple entry	·	·
	* School conducts entrance counseling session and records completion data in EDExpress from within student record		
10	School determines funding needs (total scheduled disbursements less downward adjustments) * School prints Edit-Only Disbursements list (pending actuals) in EDExpress using a query that specifies eligible students based on school's criteria		
	 * School receives Pending Disbursement List from COD * School downloads Pending Disbursement List from https://cod.ed.gov * School determines funding needs using data from a system other than EDExpress 		
11	School verifies that students are eligible for disbursement (checks for SAP, enrollment status, completed verification, etc.)		
12#	School reports disbursements and adjustments for eligible borrowers (for Advance Pay, Pushed Cash, and CM1 schools, this may be done up to 7 days prior to disbursement) * Manually create via multiple entry in EDExpress * Manually create from within each record in EDExpress * Import from an external source (DIEC)		
13	School receives funds * Funds are requested by school through GAPS * Funds are pushed to school based on accepted disbursements less accepted downward adjustments		·

#	Task	Frequency	Assigned To
14#	Make changes/enter corrections as needed * Manually create via multiple entry in EDExpress * Manually create from within each record in EDExpress * Import from an external source (DIEC)		
15	School reconciles internal data with data at COD and GAPS utilizing such tools as reports generated by COD (SAS, 30 Day Warning), EDExpress lists, DL Tools software, the COD Website, the GAPS Website, and school bank statements	At least monthly	
16	School meets Direct Loan Quality Assurance requirement	At least annually	



Note: The following steps can occur at any time in the process. The steps above that are bolded and marked with a # will result in the need for export/import.

#	Task	Frequency	Assigned To
#a	School exports data from EDExpress		
	* School chooses to combine DL and Pell data. All DL and Pell data at status "R" and "E" is exported in one COMRECIN		
	* School chooses to combine DL and Pell data, but uses Selection Criteria to filter data. Orig/Edit Only and disbursement data that meets the criteria is included in the COMRECIN. All DL change data is included in the COMRECIN		
	* All DL data at status "R" and "E" is exported in a COMRECIN		
	* School uses Selection Criteria to filter DL data. Orig/Edit Only and disbursement data that meets the criteria is included in the COMRECIN. All change data is included in the COMRECIN		
#b	School transmits COMRECIN to COD using EDConnect		
#c	School receives COMRECOP from COD using EDConnect. Other import types may be received as well		
#d	School imports receipts, responses, and other import types into EDExpress		
#e	School reviews import edit report; resolves rejected data and resubmits data to COD via next export		
	* indicates one of the options that a school might choose		



Note: For the electronic version of the template, go to http://fsautraining.ncspearson.com/.

- Click the FSAU Learner link
- Click the Direct Loan button
- Download the template posted under the "Other Materials" section

Additional Notes March March 18 Miles

Excerpt from the March 2003 letter to EDExpress Users

RE: EDExpress for Windows 2003-2004, Version 9.1

Dear EDExpress Users:

We are pleased to announce the availability of EDExpress for Windows 2003-2004, Version 9.1. This software version expands EDExpress to include both the Direct Loan and Pell Grant modules for the 2003-2004 award cycle as well as incorporate other changes to the software.

This letter describes general changes to EDExpress for Windows and enhancements to the Direct Loan and Pell components of the software, bringing ease and flexibility to your management of Direct Loan and Pell processing for 2003-2004.

Included in this letter are the following items:

- A list of Direct Loan and Pell enhancements, including changes made as a result of EDExpress users becoming Full Participants in the COD system in 2003-2004
- The results gathered from EDExpress benchmark testing
- Reminders on how to back up and optimize your EDExpress database

Common Origination and Disbursement

All schools participating in Title IV Student Financial Assistance must use the Common Origination and Disbursement (COD) System for 2003-2004 to process data for the Federal Direct Loan Program and the Federal Pell Grant Program.

School participants will use one of two processing models.

The two models are:

- Full Participation
- Phase-In Participation

The difference between the two models is driven by the nature of the data transmissions between the school and the COD System. If you use EDExpress to export records, to be transmitted to COD, you are considered a Full Participant in 2003-2004 (vs. Phase-In Participants as EDExpress users were in 2002-2003).

EDExpress users will be full participants for Direct Loan/Pell Payment in 2003-2004 and will send and receive Origination and Disbursement data to and from COD using the Common Record XML format. Your school is not required to convert to the XML data format since EDExpress is converting your data, but you will need to modify your processes to accommodate the new fields and edits that are being implemented due to COD.

Appendix A—2003-2004 EDExpress Changes

How to Get the Software and Documentation

We are distributing EDExpress for Windows 2003-2004, Version 9.1 via the Internet. You can download the software and the related user documentation from the U.S. Department of Education's Federal Student Aid Download (FSAdownload) Web site located at FSAdownload.ed.gov.

Instructions for downloading EDExpress for Windows are located in the "Downloading Paper Documentation and Software from the FSAdownload Web Site" chapter of the 2003-2004 Installation Guide for EDExpress for Windows.

If you do not have access to the Internet, or you have trouble opening the FSAdownload Web site, contact CPS/WAN Technical Support at 800/330-5947; TDD/TTY 800/511-5806 or via e-mail at cpswan@ncs.com.

Note: Some organizations restrict their users from downloading from FTP sites. If you have trouble downloading, try again later. If you are still unable to download, contact your technical support staff to ensure you have full FTP download rights.

If You Have Technical Support Questions

You can also post questions regarding EDExpress for Windows on our e-mail listsery, FSATECH. FSATECH is an e-mail listsery for technical questions about the U.S. Department of Education's FSA systems, software, and mainframe products. For more information about FSATECH, including how to subscribe, visit the FSA Schools Portal: Listserys & Mailing Lists: FSATECH Web site at:

www.ed.gov/offices/FSA/services/fsatechsubscribe.html

Note: Make sure you include your telephone number in your message. We will research your question and post our response to the listsery so that everyone can benefit from the information.

If you have questions regarding EDExpress for Windows, such as installation issues, software problem resolution, software functionality, and technical assistance, you can call CPS/WAN Technical Support. You can reach them Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. (CT), at 800/330-5947; TDD/TTY 800/511-5806. You can also e-mail inquiries, comments, or suggestions 24 hours a day to cpswan@ncs.com. A representative will respond within 24 business hours.

CPS/WAN Technical Support

EDExpress for Windows, Version 9.1

EDExpress consists of five software modules:

- Global
- Application Processing
- Packaging
- Direct Loan
- Pell Grant

Version 9.1 installs the Direct Loan and the Pell modules and updates Version 9.0.

General Changes that Apply to Both Direct Loan and Pell Modules

- Entity IDs are entered in Setup. Entity IDs are a subset of the Routing IDs (RIDs), formerly known as Common School IDs (CSIDs).
- When you exchange Pell and DL XML Common Records with COD:
 - Batches are now renamed Documents.
 - Acknowledgements are now renamed Responses.
- Files in Flat file format (non-XML) (i.e. Pell Data Requests, ESOA, Year-to-Date, External Import files, DL Rebuild File) are still called Batches. COD will return an Acknowledgement for each Batch.
- Disbursement Release Indicator (DRI) (formerly Payment Trigger in the 2002-2003 Technical References) for actual disbursements cannot be set to true more than 30/7/0 days in advance. (30 days only applies to Pell).
 - Is based on your school's Funding Method.
 - Applies to both Direct Loan and Pell Payment.
 - You identify your school's Funding Method in Setup.
- Direct Loan Disbursement Profiles are still required. The new Pell Disbursement Profiles are optional.
- The Disbursement Release Indicator (DRI) and Disbursement Profile Codes are available under Multiple Entry for Pell.

Note: Direct Loan Multiple Entry is already set up to *only* add actual disbursements; therefore, the DRI is not needed in this module. The meaning of 'U' in "Disbursement Type" Multiple Entry changes from Use Anticipated Disbursement to Update DRI to True.

Appendix A—2003-2004 EDExpress Changes

- External Add/Change Import is kept in a flat file format.
 - You do *not* have to change your current technology in order to participate if using these functions. However, any new fields added must be included in the flat file format.
- Pell Year-to-Date reports, Pending Disbursement Year-to-Date reports, System-generated responses, and Web responses will be available in a future release of 9.x.
- Pell and Direct Loan have only one Export Type and message class for Origination/Edit-Only, Disbursement, and Change record receipts and responses: COMRECIN. You also have the option of exporting:
 - Pell only records.
 - Direct Loan only records.
 - All records (Direct Loan & Pell) ready to be sent to COD.
 - Selection Criteria are available for both Pell and Direct Loan modules.
- Pell and Direct Loan have only one Import Type and message class for Origination/Edit-Only,
 Disbursement, and Change record Receipts and Responses: COMRECOP.
 - Import Edit reports divide the XML response data blocks by transaction type for both Pell and Direct Loan (to keep the same look and feel you currently receive).
 - You can see a COMRECOP document type in batch activity database.
- From the view menu of the Demo tab in EDExpress, you can check the COD Accepted Student Identifier of a student record. This will allow you to compare COD's accepted student identifier to data that CPS has on file in cases where COD rejects records based on changes to current SSN, current Date of Birth, or current Last name.

Changes that Apply to Direct Loan

- Direct Loan Tab
 - Removed Loan Amount Requested Field from PLUS.
 - Removed Accepted Note ID field.
 - Changed all Batch ID or Batch # field labels to Document ID.
 - Changed all Promissory Note Status field labels to MPN Status.
 - Added CPS Transaction Number field.
 - Enabled Disclosure Statement Print Indicator Field for PLUS Loans.
- Direct Loan Disbursement Tab
 - Removed Disbursement Confirmed flag.
 - Removed D and U as valid values from the Action Type field.
 - Changed Anticipated Disbursement grid to Edit-Only Disbursement grid.
 - Moved the First Disbursement flag from the Action Fields to the Edit-Only Disbursement grid.
 - Disbursement Release Indicator (DRI) field was added to the Edit-Only Disbursements grid. Schools can create Edit-Only Disbursements at any time.
 - Values are moved from an Edit-Only Disbursement record to the Actual Disbursement grid when the DRI is selected (set to True).
 - An Edit-Only Disbursement is disabled when the Disbursement Release Indicator (DRI) is selected (set to True).
 - For Direct Loan, the disbursement sequence #1s for all disbursements will be in sync for the Edit-Only and Actual Disbursement sections on the Disbursement grids.

Changes that Apply to Pell

- Pell Setup
 - Disbursement Profile codes are new for Pell.
 - Schools can define Pell Disbursement Profile codes to create disbursements and disbursement dates for groups of students quickly and efficiently.
 - Use of the Pell Disbursement Profile codes is optional.
 - When a Disbursement Profile code is entered on the Pell (Origination) tab and it is saved, the question "Select record ready to send to Pell Processor?" is prompted. When answering Yes, the disbursement tab is activated, the disbursement dates are populated, and the award amount is split evenly between them.

Pell Tab

- The new verification code of S imports from the Demo tab to the Pell tab.
- Estimated Disbursement Dates for Pell Payment have been removed from the Pell Tab and added to Pell Disbursement Profile (see above).

Pell Disbursement Tab

- Pell disbursements now use sequence numbers to track changes to a disbursement (similar to Direct Loan).
- A COD system-generated disbursement will appear on the associated disbursement with a sequence number between 66 and 90.
- A Pell award may have a maximum of 20 disbursements. However, using sequence numbers, an individual disbursement can be changed up to 99 times.
- Disbursement Release Indicator (DRI) field was added to the Disbursement grid. The DRI can be checked (set to True) or unchecked (set to False) based on the record's disbursement dates and your Funding Method. Schools can create and send Edit-Only Disbursements (DRI = False) to COD anytime.

Requesting an Initial U.S Department of Education PIN

Step	Action
1	Access PIN Web site at: http://www.pin.ed.gov.
2	Click PIN REQUEST AND INFORMATION from the left hand side of the Web page.
3	Click APPLY FOR PIN.
4	Click NEXT.
5	Enter personal information: - Social Security Number - Last Name - First Name - Middle Initial - Date of Birth - Street Address - City - State - ZIP Code - E-mail address - Re-enter e-mail address - Enter security pass-phrase (6 to 12 alphanumeric characters; not case sensitive) - Re-enter pass-phrase
6	Click NEXT.
7	Click SUBMIT MY PIN APPLICATION.
8	Receive Confirmation Stamp on PIN Application Confirmation Page.

Destination Point Administrator—Enroll Additional Users

Step	Action
1	Access the Student Aid Internet Gateway Online at: http://www.fsawebenroll.ed.gov .
2	Click FAA Administration.
3	Enter your five-digit TG number; do not type TG, enter the number only.
4	Click Next.
5	Enter the DPA's Social Security Number, Date of Birth, and Mother's Maiden Name.
6	Click Next.
7	Click Add New FAA User.
8	Click Continue.
9	Enter the new FAA user's data including Social Security Number, Date of Birth, and Mother's Maiden Name.
10	Click Continue.
11	Select the appropriate School Code.
12	Select the appropriate access rights for the user (read, write, or blank) for each service.
13	Click Continue.
14	Print and sign the required User Statement, to be kept on file at your office.
15	The New FAA User is added to the DPA's enrollment. A PIN Mailer or PIN e-mail is delivered to the New FAA User.

Accessing FAA Access to CPS Online

Step	Action
1	Access FAA Web site at: http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/faa/faa.htm .
2	Click Next.
3	Enter your personal information:
	Social Security Number
	- First two (2) letters of the last name
	- Date of Birth
	- PIN
4	Click SUBMIT REQUEST.
5	Click an option from the menu:
	- Student Inquiry (complete Step 6)
	- Batch Status (complete Step 7)
	- Duplicate Renewal Print (complete Step 8)
6	Student Inquiry option:
	6a. Enter Federal School Code.
	Select Award Year from drop-down list.
	6b. Click Next.
	6c. Enter student's information:
	Social Security Number
	First 2 letters of last name
:	6d. Click Submit to get a list of the student's SAR transactions.
	6e. To continue, click an option:
	 View a Different Student's Data
	- Return to FAA Menu
	– Exit

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Accessing FAA Access to CPS Online (continued)

Step	Action
7	Batch Status option:
	7a. Enter Destination Code (TG number).
	Enter Federal School Code.
	Select Award Year from drop-down list.
	7b. Click Next.
	7c. Select how to view batches from list:
	- Batch Number
	 Batch (File) Type/Date Range
,	7d. Click Next to continue browsing or select another option:
	– New Search
	- Return to FAA Menu
	– Exit
8	Duplicate Renewal Print option:
	8a. Enter Destination Code (TG number).
	Enter Federal School Code.
	Select Award Year from list.
	8b. Click Next to display the next four steps to be followed:
	Enter the student's Social Security Number (SSN) and Name ID
	Enter the address where the Renewal Application will be mailed
	Verify your request information
	- Receive confirmation
	8c. Click Next after reviewing information.
	8d. Enter Student's information:
	Social Security Number
	- First 2 letters of last name
	8e. Click Next to continue with the process.

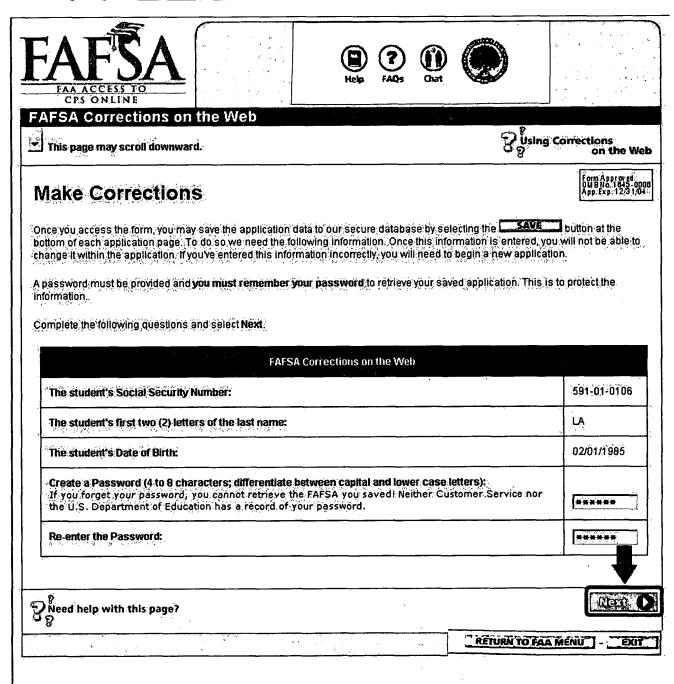
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FAA Access to CPS Online

Remember, to be able to access your school's CPS data online, you need a U.S. Department of Education PIN and you need to be enrolled as a FAA Access to CPS Online user via the Student Aid Internet Gateway.

To logon, go to http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/faa/faa.htm.



Enroll as Full Participant with COD

Step	Action
1	Submit a Full Participant Request Letter on university or corporate letterhead, including:
	School Information
	- School Name
	- Address
	- OPE ID#
	 DL G/E Code (if applicable)
	Full Participant Status
	 Program(s) for which your school intends to transmit data to COD as a Full Participant (Pell Grant Program and/or Direct Loan Program)
	Direct Loan Program Full Participants must also include the following information:
	Data Source (of the school/organization that transmits your data to COD)
	 School/Organization Name
i	- OPE ID#
·	- DL G/E Code (if applicable)
	This organization is the SAIG Destination Point. It can be either a school or a third party servicer.
	Reporting School
·	 Indicate whether your campus/location reports its own data to COD or uses another campus/location to report data on its behalf
	This is the DL Code included in the Direct Loan Header record.
	Attended School
	 List any additional schools or locations, their OPE ID, and Direct Loan G/E Code (if applicable) for whom your campus/location reports data to COD
	These are the DL Codes included in the individual detail record.
	Software Product(s) used to transmit data to COD
	Contact Information for Financial Aid Director
	- Name
-	- E-mail Address
	- Phone Number
	Contact Information by Program (primary contact for Direct Loan Program)
	- Name
	- E-mail Address
	- Phone Number

Appendix C—COD System & Website

Step	Action			
2	Mail or fax the letter (on university or corporate letterhead) to:			
	U.S. Department of Education			
	COD School Relations Center			
j	Attn: Full Participant			
	P.O. Box 9003			
1	Niagara Falls, NY 14302			
	Fax #: 877/623-5082			
3	Questions or problems concerning this process should be submitted to COD School Relations at (800) 4PGRANT for Pell Grants and (800) 848-0978 for Direct Loans. Schools may also submit questions to CODSupport@acs-inc.com.			
NOTE!	If you signed up to be a 2003-2004 COD Full Participant at the EAC conferences, or by contacting the COD School Relations Center, you do not need to send a Full Participant Request Letter. COD School Relations will send a confirmation e-mail to schools that have already signed up as a 2003-2004 Full Participant.			

Set Up School Security Administrator for COD Website

Step	Action		
1	Submit a school administrator request letter on university or corporate letterhead, including:		
	Security Administrator's first and last names		
	 Keyword Identifier = Mother's maiden name (used for security purposes to identify the security administrator if password is forgotten) 		
	Work telephone number		
	E-mail address		
	OPE ID		
	School Name		
	Job Title		
	Physical work address		
	Work fax number		
	Security Administrator's signature		
	 School approving authority's name, title and signature (e.g., FAA) 		
	Third party vendor used (if applicable)		
2	Mail the letter (signed and on university or corporate letterhead) to:		
	U.S. Department of Education		
	COD School Relations Center		
	Attn: COD Web Access		
	P.O. Box 9003		
	Niagara Falls, NY 14302		
3	The school's Security Administrator will receive a user ID and initial instructions for accessing the COD Website via the e-mail address provided in the initial request letter.		
4	For security purposes, the Security Administrator's password will be sent in a second e-mail.		
5	Security Administrator will be provided with instructions on how to set up access for other staff.		
6	Questions or problems concerning this process should be submitted to COD School Relations at (800) 4PGRANT for Pell Grants and (800) 848-0978 for Direct Loans. Schools may also submit questions to CODSupport@acs-inc.com.		
NOTE!	If a school's Security Administrator's account needs to be deactivated, please contact your CSR at the COD School Relations Center.		

Creating and Updating Records via the COD Website

Everyone with a user ID and password for the COD Website has view access to search for and view information. However, with the appropriate security access, you can also create and update records. The step action grids below walk you through the various processes. The screen captures on the following pages provide a preview of what you should see.

Search for a Person

Step	Action			
1	Log in to the COD Website at https://cod.ed.gov.			
2	Select Person from the main menu.			
3	If you are unsure as to whether the student/borrower has an existing record, type the SSN or Name in the fields and select Search .			
	Note: If you are adding the student for the first time, go to step 4.			

Create New Person

Step	Action		
4	From the Person Search screen, type the SSN and select Create New.		
5	Type the required field data (name, address, citizenship, etc.) and select Create Award.		

Create New Award

Step	Action		
6	From the Person Search screen, type the SSN or Name in the fields and select Search.		
7	Go to the Person Detail Information screen and select Create New Award.		
	(You also can update the person's information from Person Detail Information screen.)		
8	Select Direct Loan as the Type and either Unsubsidized, Subsidized or PLUS as the Subtype.		
9	Enter the Award Amount, Award Dates and other required data.		
	Click Submit when finished.		
10	A pop-up box with batch information displays. Click OK to continue.		

Create New Disbursement

Step	Action		
11	From the Person Detail Information screen, click Create New Award.		
12	From the Create Award screen, select Create New Disbursement.		
13	Enter the Disbursement Number, Date, and Amount and set the DRI to true if recording an actual disbursement. Click Submit .		

Update a Record

Step	Action		
14	From the Person Search screen, type the SSN or Name in the fields and select Search.		
15	Select All Awards from the menu to view all Pell and Direct Loan awards or Direct Loan to view only Direct Loan awards.		
16	Click the Award ID to display the details.		
17	Select Update to change the Award data.		
18	Make the field changes and select Submit.		



Tip: Every online transaction is assigned a batch ID that consists of a date and time stamp.



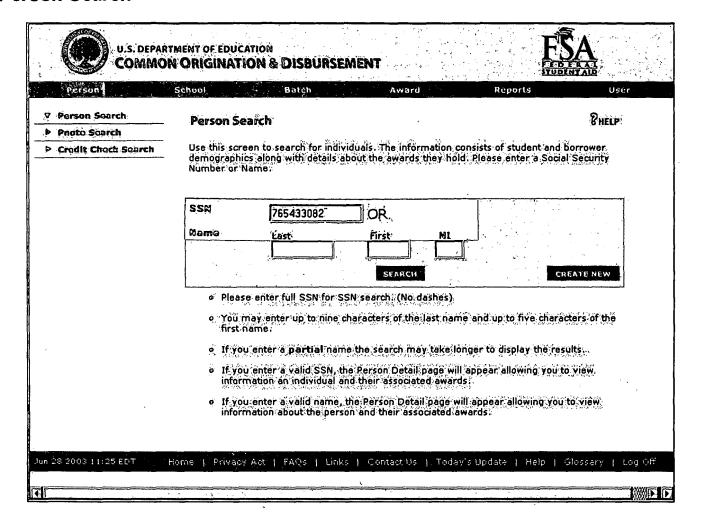
Note: A COD Receipt is not generated for Common Record data submitted via the COD Website.

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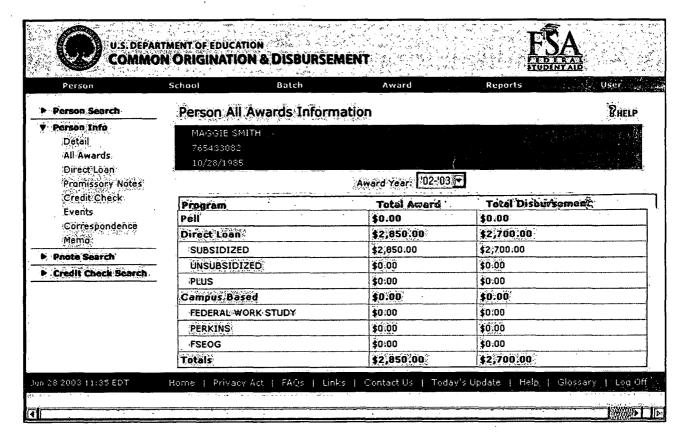
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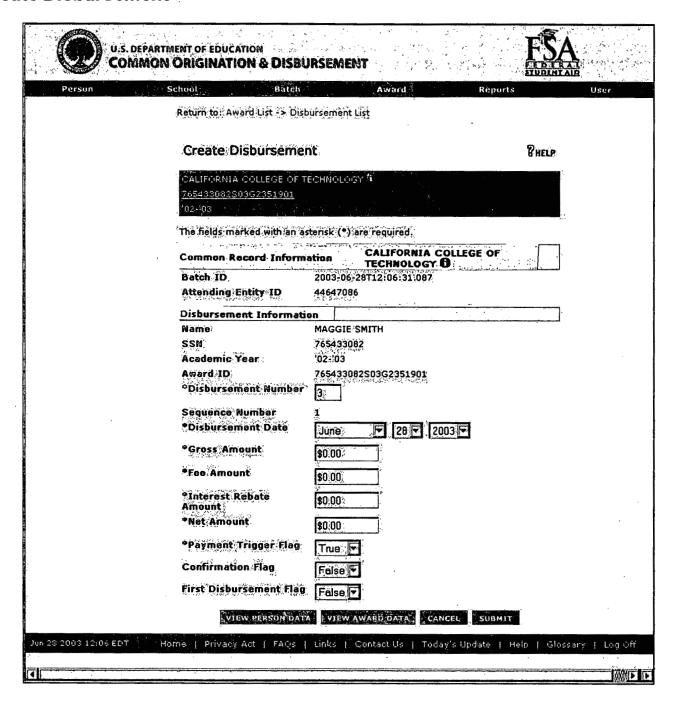
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Date of Birth	10/28/1985
Loan Default / Grant Overpay	YD
na a said the	Award Information
Type:	DIRECTLOAN
*Subtype	SUBSIDIZED
*Award ID	
*Award Year	103-104 🗹
*Award Number	
*Award Amount	\$0:00
*Award Start Date	June 29 2 2003 7
*Award End Date	June 🗗 29 📆 2003 📆
*College Year	1st year, undergraduate/never attended college
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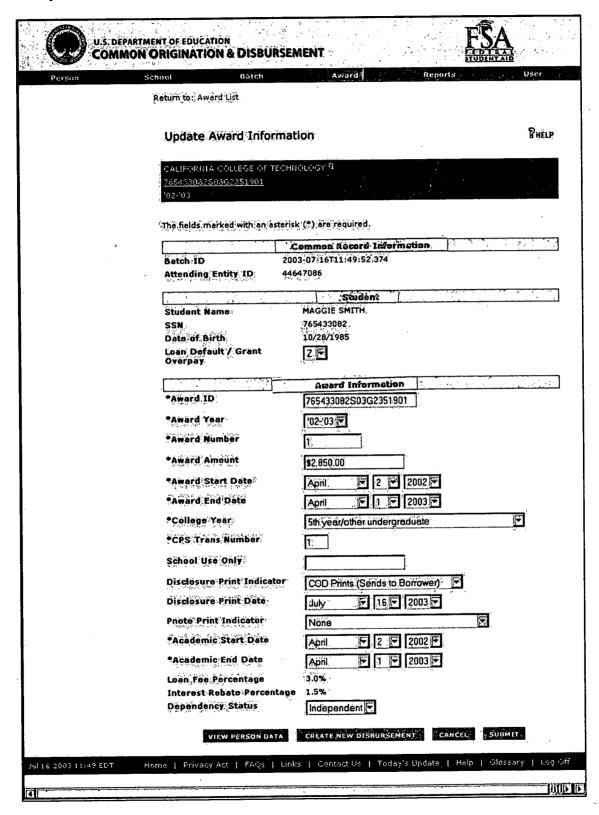
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Web Site Resources

Resources for Financial Aid Administrators:

Web site	Description
http://fsa4schools.ed.gov	Schools portal
http://ifap.ed.gov	Information for Financial Aid Professionals Library
http://fsadownload.ed.gov	FSA Student Aid Internet Gateway Online (download software, technical references, etc.)
http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/faa/faa.htm	FAA Access to CPS Online
http://edpubs.org/bpos	Bulk Publication Ordering System
http://e-grants.ed.gov/ gapsweb/epWelcome.asp	e-Payments (FAAs may sign up for read-only access to grant and payment information for their school)
http://www.nasfaa.org	NASFAA Conference Presentations
http://ed.gov/offices/OSFAP/services/fsate chsubscribe.html	Subscribe to FSATech Electronic Newsletter
http://www.cbfisap.sfa.ed.gov	FISAP on the Web (eCampus-Based/FISAP)
https://cod.ed.gov	COD on the Web
http://nsldsfap.ed.gov	NSLDS on the Web
http://www.xml.com	XML (Extensible Mark-up Language) info

Resources for both Financial Aid Administrators and Students:

Web site	Description
http://www.pin.ed.gov	PIN Registration
http://fafsademo.test.ed.gov	FOTW Demo Site (login ID = eddemo, password = fafsatest)

Resources for Students:

Web site	Description
http://studentaid.ed.gov	Students Portal
http://www.fafsa.ed.gov	FAFSA on the Web, Spanish FAFSA on the Web, Renewal on the Web, Corrections on the Web

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Subscribing to FSATech Electronic Newsletter



Note: FSATech electronic newsletter is a listserv that provides financial aid administrators the opportunity to ask and get answers to their technical questions about FSA's software or systems. Subscribers will also automatically receive "hot" news flashes about processing and software issues.

Step	Action		
1	Access the sign-up Web site at:		
	http://www.ed.gov/offices/FSA/services/fsatechsubscribe.html.		
2	Fill in the form with:		
	E-mail address		
	The same e-mail address to verify		
	• First name		
	Last name		
3	Read through the choices of "individual messages" or "digests" then click the round button next to your choice.		
4	When you are ready, click Submit.		
NOTE!	This Web site also allows you to change your FSATech options and unsubscribe.		

Subscribing to IFAP Updates

Step	Action Action		
1	Access IFAP web site at: http://ifap.ed.gov.		
2	Click Member Services in the left hand column on the Web page.		
3	If you have not already registered, click Click Here to Register to register as an IFAP member (Your password will be emailed to you within 24 hours).		
4	Once registered, log in with your user name and password.		
5	Click Login.		
6	Click Subscription Options.		
7	Select any of the four updates available and select specific options under each:		
	 Weekly Summary of ALL IFAP Additions (Default Setting) Frequently Generated IFAP Additions (within 48 hours) Action Letters Dear Partner/Colleague Letters Direct Loan Bulletins Electronic Announcements Policy Bulletins Additional Publications by Publication Type (within 48 hours) Audit Guides Blue Books Counselor's Handbooks Default Rate Materials NSLDS Reference Material SAR and ISIR Materials (This is a partial list) Additional Publications by Program and Service 		
	 Campus-Based Programs FFEL Student eligibility Verification (This is a partial list) 		
8	Click Go to SUBMIT button, or click SUBMIT at the bottom of the page.		

Term Translator

The Term Translator is a crosswalk that guides you from the 2002-2003 EDExpress legacy process to the 2003-2004 COD process as an EDExpress Full Participant.

02-03 EDExpress Legacy Process	03-04 EDExpress Full Participant	03-04 COD Technical Reference
Record Layout	Common Record Layout	Common Record Layout
	Includes tags with data that comprise the COD Schema for the Common Record in XML format	
	Fixed Length Record Layout	Fixed Length Record Layout
	Non-XML data fields formatted in a fixed length flat file for data requests/acknowledgements exchanged with COD and other external systems (e.g. school's mainframe)	
Batch	Document	Document
	Only contains XML Common Record data exchanged with COD	
	Batch	Batch
	Data records exchanged with external systems and reports received from COD	
Batch ID	Document ID	Document ID
	Identifies the XML Common Record document exchanged with COD	
	Document ID	Batch ID
	Identifies the non-XML file exchanged with COD or an external system	
Batch Activity	Document Activity	Batch Search
	Grid that lists all Pell and DL documents or batches submitted and received via EDExpress	
	Receipt	Receipt
	Indicates whether the XML Common Record document sent was accepted by COD	
Batch Reject	Receipt	Receipt
	Indicates whether the XML Common Record document sent was rejected by COD	

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02-03 EDExpress Legacy Process	03-04 EDExpress Full Participant	03-04 COD Technical Reference
Acknowledgement	Response XML Common Record document returned after COD processing; indicates current status, which updates your database	Response
Origination Record	Origination/Edit Only Record Student award data with anticipated disbursement information	Edit Only Data
Anticipated Disbursement Record	Disbursement Record/Edit Only Disbursement Disbursement date and amount AND DRI is not checked	Edit Only Data DRI = false
Actual Disbursement Record	Actual Disbursement Record DRI is checked	Actual Disbursement Data DRI = true
DL School Code	DL School Code	Associated with the Entity ID
	Source Entity ID Entity ID of the sender of the document; may be a third party servicer Reporting Entity ID For a school with multiple campuses,	Entity ID ID number randomly assigned by COD Entity ID
	identifies the school that submits Direct Loan data to COD	
	Attended Entity ID Identifies a specific branch campus for a school with multiple campuses	Entity ID
		Current Funding Level (CFL)
	Pushed Cash	Pushed Cash
	Advance Pay	Advance Pay
	Cash Monitoring 1 (CM1)	Cash Monitoring 1 (CM1)
	Cash Monitoring 2 (CM2)	Cash Monitoring 2 (CM2)
	Reimbursement	Reimbursement

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Important Changes to EDExpress Direct Loan End-of-Entry Edits

EDExpress End-of-Entry Edit	Added, Modified, or Removed for 2003/2004?	Result?
1050	Added	For PLUS loans, the Loan Amount Approved cannot be increased or decreased if the Credit Decision is E (credit overridden based on approved endorser).
1077	Removed	The Edit Only Disbursement total may exceed the Loan Amount Approved.
1095	Added	A loan record cannot be saved if the Reporting or Attended Entity ID associated with the School Code is blank.
1205	Added	An Actual Disbursement can not be saved if the Funding Method for the School Code listed on the record is blank.
2002	Added	You may not enter an Actual Disbursement more than 7/0 days in advance of the disbursement date, depending on the number of days allowed by your school's Funding Method.
3090	Modified	You may record an Actual Disbursement if the Loan Status is R, B or A as long as the MPN Status is S, M, T or A.

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Exporting Data to an External System

Create an Export File Format

You want to identify students who have recently had records added to the EDExpress database so that you can pass their name and address information to the records office.

Step	Action			
1	Select Tools, File Formats from the menu bar.			
2	Click Direct Loan.			
3	Type a two-character format code for the file you are creating (the code must be unique): 01			
4	Type a description of the format you are creating:			
	Student Name ID and permanent address			
5	Click each checkbox in the Select column on those fields you want to be included in the records you export. Or in the Select column, click the row of the field you want included and click the Select button. Click Select All if you want to include all fields in the export files.			
	Select the fields:			
	Current SSN			
	Last Name - Demo			
	First Name - Demo			
	Permanent Address - Demo			
	Permanent City - Demo			
	Permanent State –Demo			
	Permanent Zip Code - Demo			
6	Click the Resequence button to shift all selected fields to the top of the list for easy viewing.			
7	Click Save to save the format.			
8	Click OK to close the File Formats window.			

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Print an Export File Format

Step	Action Action
1	Select File, Print from the menu bar.
2	Click the Direct Loan tab.
3	Select the report Record Layout-User Defined Formats-External Loan Data.
4	Click Screen to view the output to the screen.
5	Click the ellipsis button for the Format Code to display a list of codes.
6	Highlight the desired code: 01.
7	Click OK to close.
8	Click OK to print the report.
9	The printout provides the layout for format you created.
10	Click Close when finished viewing.

Export Data Using a File Format

Step	Action Action
1	Select File, Export from the menu bar.
2	Click the Direct Loan tab.
3	Select External Loan Data in the Export Type field.
4	Confirm that the default Export To: path is the one you want. If not, select the desired location and file name.
5	Select the Export Status. The default is Y.
6	Select the Delimiter. Fixed Length is the default.
7	Click the ellipsis button for the Format Code to display a list of codes.
8	Highlight the desired code: 01.
9	Click OK.
10	Click the Selection Criteria button to specify the records to export.

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Step	Action
11	Click the ellipsis button to view a list of queries.
12	To limit the population to records added within a certain date range select Add Date Range and click OK.
13	Type the From and To dates: 20030501 to 20030801.
14	Click OK.
15	Click OK to export.

View the Exported Data in Excel

Step	Action			
1	Open Excel.			
2	Select File, Open from the menu bar.			
3	Locate your file in the open dialog box. The default file path is to place the files in IAM/DATA with name. DEER04IN.DAT			
4	The Text Import Wizard displays. Follow the steps as provided in the Wizard. Depending on the version of Excel, the steps may vary slightly.			
5	Select Fixed Width and click Next.			
6	The next screen determines how the data is parsed.			
	Place a line after the SSN.			
	Remove the two lines in the Street Address.			
	Move the line next to City.			
	Add a line before the Zip Code.			
7	Click Next.			
8	Click Finish.			
9	Move the column lines to add width to each column to view the data.			
10	Close Excel when finished viewing.			

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Using Grids to Export Data

EDExpress displays records in the database as grids, such as those that are displayed when you click the List button in the Open Student dialog box or when you use the Browse function on the Tools menu. In addition to viewing data in these grids on the screen, you can manipulate the view and even print and export the data to a file.

When browsing the data in a database grid, you can use your mouse for some special functions. When viewing a list of records in a database window, position your mouse pointer on the heading of a column, then click on the right mouse button to see a menu that includes the following options:

- Print the Grid—prints the grid as displayed. You can hide and change the order of columns to create a customized printed copy of the grid. You'll probably want to click the Properties button in the Print dialog box and change the page orientation to Landscape.
- Export Grid to File—exports the grid to a file in fixed or delimited ASCII format for you to use for other purposes. As with the Print the Grid option, you might need to experiment with the page orientation if you view or print the file.

One reason you may want to export the grid is to use the Document Activity database as a process or tracking log. You can export the document activity information and view it in Excel just as in export file discussed earlier in this session. The following provides steps for exporting the Document Activity Database to a file.

Export Grid to a File

Step	Action
1	Select Tools, Browse, Direct Loan from the menu bar.
2	Click the Document Activity tab.
3	Right mouse click on one of the column headings.
4	Select Export Grid to File.
5	Select Fixed Length and click OK.
6	Select the path and folder to save the file and type a filename.
7	Click Save.

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Master Promissory Note Features

2003-2004 Modification: All MPNs are processed using the multi-year (MY), single-year (SY), or, in the case of PLUS loans, single-loan (SL) feature. Each feature is discussed in more detail below.

Multi-Year MPN Feature

2003-2004 Modification: Beginning in award year 2003-2004, the U.S. Department of Education has expanded the authority for multi-year use of the Master Promissory Note (MPN) in the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan (Direct Loan) and Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) programs. Under the expanded authority, unless a school is specifically informed otherwise, all Direct Loan schools may allow their student borrowers (and their parent borrowers under the PLUS MPN) to receive loans for subsequent academic years based upon a previously signed MPN (even if that MPN was signed before the effective date of the expanded authority).

For more information regarding eligibility for the MY MPN feature see the Dear Colleague Letter GEN-02-10 (November 2002).

Business Rules:

- 1. Starting in 2003-2004, the MY feature applies to all loan types. (Subsidized, Unsubsidized and PLUS).
- 2. Starting in 2003-2004, the MY feature has been expanded to include Direct Loan schools that are not four-year colleges or graduate or professional schools.
 - The expanded authority for multi-year use of the MPN is effective beginning with any Direct Loan for the 2003-2004 year (a loan with an identification number that includes "04") that is processed after the COD system start up for the 2003-2004 award year.
- 3. Any Direct Loan school that is not a four-year college or graduate or professional school that would like to use the multi-year feature of the MPN beginning with the COD system start up for the 2003-2004 award year must inform COD School Relations Center by phone at 800/848-0978 or by e-mail at CODSupport@acs-inc.com by March 14, 2003.
 - Any Direct Loan school that is not a four-year college or graduate or professional school and that does not inform the Department by March 14, 2003 that it would like to use the multiyear feature of the MPN will be identified in the COD System at start up for the 2003-2004 award year as using the single-year feature of the MPN for the purpose of linking loans for the 2003-2004 award year
- 4. New schools to the Direct Loan program that are eligible for the MY feature under the expanded authority for multi-year use of the MPN will be defaulted to use the MY feature in the COD system
- 5. Multiple loans for a borrower are linked to the same MPN across schools and academic years.
- 6. A school using the MY feature can use any MPN accepted by the COD System (even if that MPN was signed before the effective date of the expanded authority for multi-year use of the MPN).

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- 7. When processing 2002-2003 loan records and forward, COD is aware of open MPNs processed by the LOC for program years prior to 2002-2003.
- 8. Schools using the MY feature must have a confirmation process in place.

Note: For more details regarding a confirmation process, refer to the Direct Loan School Guide, Chapter 6 at http://www.ed.gov/DirectLoan/pubs/profpubs.html.

9. The COD system allows schools eligible for the MY feature to opt between the MY feature and the Single-Year (SY) feature.

Schools Opting for Single-Year MPN Feature

The COD system allows schools eligible for the MY feature to opt between the MY feature and the Single-Year (SY feature).

Business Rules:

- 1. When a school opts to process MPNs using the MY or SY feature, the feature selected applies to all Direct Loans processed by the school (subsidized, unsubsidized and PLUS loans).
 - All loans are processed using the SY feature OR all loans are processed using the MY feature.
- 2. If an eligible school opts to change the SY/MY feature, the change applies only to MPNs received at COD after the change is processed on the COD system.
- 3. Awards received after the date the option is changed link to an MPN using the newly selected option.
- 4. Schools must contact COD School Relations to change their SY/MY feature.

Single-Year MPN Feature

The single-year (SY) MPN feature requires that a new MPN be completed by a borrower for each academic year. All schools NOT eligible to process MPNs using the MY feature, must use the SY feature. Schools eligible for the MY feature may opt to process MPNs using the SY feature as discussed in the previous section.

Single-Year MPN Feature Business Rules:

- 1. The SY feature of the MPN is available to all schools.
- 2. All schools NOT eligible to process MPNs using the MY feature must use the SY feature. Therefore, the COD system does not allow these schools to change this processing feature.
- 3. Under the SY feature a new MPN must be generated each academic year for each student.
- 4. A SY school must use an MPN generated at or for that school only.
- 5. A SY school can link multiple loans for the same academic year, for the same borrower, to the same MPN.
- 6. The academic year start and end dates must be the same on all loan records linked to a specific MPN under the SY feature.
- 7. When a school eligible for the MY feature opts to use the SY feature, the school must update their option on the COD website.

Business Rules Unique to PLUS MPN:

- 1. The PLUS MPN is to be used for PLUS processing for award years 2003-2004 and forward.
- 2. The Award Amount Requested field does not appear on the MPN for PLUS.
- 3. For award year 2003-2004 and forward, Promissory Note Responses for PLUS MPNs (including unsolicited Promissory Note Responses) do NOT contain the Award Amount Requested data element.
- 4. The PLUS MPN is for one or more PLUS loans that one parent borrows for one student.
- 5. The parent borrower can have multiple PLUS MPNs on the COD system for the same or for different students for the same or subsequent academic years. See EXAMPLE #1 below.
- 6. A student can have multiple parents borrow PLUS loans for the same or subsequent academic years. See EXAMPLE #2 below.
- 7. A parent borrower of a PLUS loan can also be a student borrower of a separate Sub/Unsub award.
- 8. The student associated with a PLUS loan cannot be the endorser for that same PLUS award.
- 9. The student associated with a PLUS loan cannot be the same person as the borrower for that same PLUS award.
 - If the PLUS borrower has the same SSN as the student associated with the PLUS award, the COD system rejects with COD edit 016.
- 10. Once a PLUS borrower signs a PLUS MPN, the borrower authorizes the COD system to perform an initial credit check and future credit checks for awards made under that MPN, without requiring subsequent authorization. Thus, multiple credit decisions can be associated with one MPN.
- 11. The PLUS MPN Status can be viewed on the COD Website.

Examples:

1. Parent borrower with multiple MPNs for multiple students:

Parent James Smith has two students (Jack and Jill) attending school during the same award year (2003-2004). Their father, James Smith, signs a PLUS MPN for student Jack Smith for 2003-2004 and signs a separate PLUS MPN for student Jill Smith for 2003-2004.

2. Student with multiple MPNs for multiple parent borrowers:

Student Jack is attending school and multiple parents are helping to fund his education. Jack's father, James Smith, borrows a PLUS loan and signs an individual PLUS MPN for Jack Smith. In addition, Jack's stepfather, Robert Jones, borrows a PLUS loan for Jack and signs a separate PLUS MPN. Thus, there are two MPNs on the COD System associated with Jack for the same award year, 2003-2004, but for different parent borrowers.

Single-Loan MPN Feature (PLUS only)

- 1. The single-loan (SL) MPN is an MPN linked to a PLUS loan that is accepted with an Endorser with an approved credit decision. Once an Endorser is associated with a PLUS loan, the MPN linked to that PLUS loan cannot be linked to any other loans even if the school processes MPNs using the multi-year (MY) feature.
- 2. An MPN for a PLUS loan becomes a SL MPN under the following conditions:
 - An endorser is obtained because the borrower has received an adverse credit decision,
 - The award receives an approved credit decision for the endorser, AND
 - The award is linked to the PLUS MPN.
- 3. When a PLUS Loan with an Endorser is linked to an MPN, the COD system returns an MPN Status of Accepted on the Response. However, this MPN is flagged by the COD system as a SL MPN so that no further loans can be linked to this note.
- 4. Once a SL MPN is established, it becomes an inactive MPN and no other awards will be linked to that same MPN.
- 5. Once a SL MPN is established, all other pending and active PLUS MPNs for the borrower become inactive, including the SL MPN.
- 6. When a PLUS loan with an endorser is linked to an MPN, the MPN Status displayed on any future ISIRs will be Inactive.
- 7. If the borrower wants to borrow a subsequent PLUS loan a new MPN must be generated and signed.

Disclosure Statement Printing Rules

- 1. Starting in 2003-2004, Disclosure Statements are generated for all loan types (subsidized, unsubsidized and PLUS loans).
- 2. Disclosure Statement Print Code is a data element on the Common Record indicating whether the school or COD prints the Disclosure Statement.
- 3. The valid values for the Disclosure Statement Print Code are:
 - Y = COD prints and sends to borrower (appears as S in EDExpress)
 - R = COD reprint (appears as Z in EDExpress)
 - S = School Prints and Sends to Borrower (appears as O in EDExpress)
- 4. A valid value of S for School Prints and Sends to Borrower has been added to the 2003-2004 Common Record Layout for the Disclosure Statement Print Code.
 - The COD system does NOT print a Disclosure Statement when the Disclosure Statement Print Code on the Common Record has a value of S (School prints and sends to borrower).
- 5. If an award does not contain the Disclosure Statement Print Code, the COD System defaults to the option on the school profile when processing the award.
- 6. Disclosure Statements printed by a school must be printed on the approved Disclosure Statement form.
 - When available, school may contact COD School Relations for the Disclosure Statement form.
 - When printing the Disclosure Statement, it is recommended to use Courier, 10 point, 12 pitch font.
- 7. The party (school or COD) who is responsible for printing and mailing the Disclosure Statement is also responsible for printing and mailing the Plain Language Disclosure Statement, when the Disclosure Statement is for a subsequent loan under an MPN.
- 8. Disclosure Statements must be provided to the Student borrower (for subsidized/unsubsidized) or Parent borrower (for PLUS) before or at the time of the first disbursement.
 - If a school submits actual disbursements for a loan award to the COD System after the first disbursement is made, the school must provide the borrower with the Disclosure Statement and the Plain Language Disclosure (if necessary) before or at the time of the first disbursement, unless a disclosure statement was previously sent by the COD System through an Edit Only record with disbursement information.
- 9. The COD system does NOT print a Disclosure Statement for a PLUS award until the award has an approved credit decision.
- 10. For subsidized and unsubsidized loans, the COD System generates a Disclosure Statement 30 calendar days before the first disbursement date.
- 11. For PLUS loans, the COD System generates a Disclosure Statement 30 calendar days before the first disbursement date if there is an approved credit decision.

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- 12. If the disbursement information is submitted to the COD System less than 30 calendar days before the first disbursement date, the Disclosure Statement is printed immediately by COD, unless the school indicated that it provided the Disclosure Statement.
- 13. The COD system prints and mails a Disclosure Statement for a PLUS award upon receipt of an approved credit decision if the 30-day criterion has passed, unless the Disclosure Statement Print Code on the award or the school's print profile indicates that the school provides the Disclosure Statement.
 - Note: In order for the COD System to generate a Disclosure Statement, disbursement information must be submitted and accepted by the COD System. If you wait and submit disbursement information seven (7) calendar days prior to the disbursement date, the Disclosure Statement prints seven (7) calendar days prior to the disbursement date.
- 14. The COD system prints a Disclosure Statement only once for each borrower unless the school requests a reprint.
- 15. The COD system reprints and resends the Disclosure Statement when the Disclosure Statement Print Code = R (COD reprint).
- 16. The COD system does NOT automatically reprint Disclosure Statements when changes to the Award Amount, Disbursement Dates, or Disbursement Amounts are received.
- 17. When a Disclosure Statement is reprinted, the data printed on the statement is the current data in the COD system and may not match the original disclosure statement.
- 18. When a request is received to reprint the Disclosure Statement for a subsequent award under an MPN, the school or COD system, depending on who has responsibility for printing the Disclosure Statement, reprints the Plain Language Disclosure.
- 19. The COD system prints and mails the Disclosure Statement upon receipt of an actual disbursement (Disbursement Release Indicator = true), unless the award or the schools print profile indicates that the school provided the Disclosure Statement.
- 20. When a Disclosure Statement for a subsidized/unsubsidized award does not include all anticipated disbursements (Disbursement Release Indicator = false) and the amounts listed under the Net Disbursement Amount does not equal the Net Loan Amount, the COD system will print a standard statement in Section 9 that states: "Your school will inform you of the remaining disbursement(s) of your loan."
- 21. When a Disclosure Statement for a **PLUS award** does not include all anticipated disbursements (Disbursement Release Indicator = false) and the amounts listed under the Net Disbursement Amount does not equal the Net Loan Amount, the COD system prints a standard statement in Section 12 of the Disclosure Statement that reads: "The school will inform you of the remaining disbursement(s) of your loan."
- 22. The COD system does NOT require Full Participants to provide disbursement information prior to disbursement. If a Full Participant sends in an Award without disbursement information and COD does not have an indication that the school has printed/provided or will print/provide the disclosure statement, a warning edit (110) is sent on the Award Response to the school. Warning Edit 110 reads: "School must print/provide the disclosure statement unless it sends disbursement data to COD at least 5 days before the first disbursement date." Warning Edit 110 is returned to the school under the following conditions:

- A DL Award is submitted without anticipated disbursement data (Disbursement Release Indicator = false) AND
- The school has sent the Disclosure Statement Print Indicator = Y (COD Prints) OR
- The Disclosure Statement Print Code is omitted or nil AND the School Profile Option = COD prints
- 23. If a Full Participant does not send actual disbursements (Disbursement Release Indicator = true) to COD at least 5 days before the first disbursement date and COD does not have an indication that the school has printed/provided the disclosure statement, a warning edit (111) is sent on the Disbursement Response to the school. Warning Edit 111 reads: "First Actual Disbursement was submitted less than 5 days before the first disbursement date without an indication that the school printed/provided a disclosure statement."
- 24. Warning Edit 111 is returned to the school under the following conditions:
 - First Actual Disbursement Indicator = Y and Disbursement Release Indicator = true AND
 - COD does not have anticipated disbursement data (Disbursement Release Indicator = false) on file for this award and therefore the Disclosure Statement has not been printed AND
 - The disbursement is not sent at least 5 days before the first disbursement date (date associated with disbursement with 1st disbursement Indicator) AND
 - The Disclosure Statement Print Code is set to Y (COD Prints) OR
 - The Disclosure Statement Print Code is set to nil or omitted and the School Profile is set to COD Prints

Example: Printing Disclosure Statements Based on School Options and Disclosure Statement Print Code

School Option set within COD System	Full Participant Disclosure Statement Print Code	COD System Prints
School Prints	Nillable or No tag	NO
School Prints	S (School prints)	NO
School Prints	Y (COD prints and sends to borrower) R (COD reprint)	YES
COD Prints	Nillable or No tag	YES
COD Prints	S (School prints)	NO
COD Prints	Y (COD prints and sends to borrower) R (COD reprint)	YES

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When COD Prints a Disclosure Statement Based on Receipt of Disbursement Information

Disb. Info Submitted	Date Disb. Info Submitted	Disbursement Release Indicator	Disb. Date	Disclosure Statement Generated by COD
More than 30 calendar days prior to first disbursement	08-01-03	False	09-10-03	08-12-03
30 calendar days prior to first disbursement	08-12-03	False	09-10-03	08-12-03
7 calendar days prior to first disbursement	09-03-03	True or False	09-10-03	09-03-03
On Disb. Date	09-10-03	True or False	09-10-03	09-10-03

IFAP - Direct Loan Bulletins

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Summary: Implementation of a Master Promissory Note for Direct PLUS Loans

February 2003

DLB-03-07

Subject: Implementation of a Master Promissory Note for Direct PLUS Loans

Dear Partner:

The Office of Management and Budget has approved Master Promissory Notes for use in making PLUS Loans in the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan (Direct Loan) and Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) programs. This bulletin describes the Federal Direct PLUS Loan Application and Master Promissory Note that will be used in the Direct Loan Program, and explains how it will be implemented. (For details on the implementation of the Master Promissory Note for PLUS Loans made under the FFEL Program, see Dear Colleague Letter GEN-03-03.)

Throughout this bulletin, the term "Direct PLUS MPN" refers to the Federal Direct PLUS Loan Application and Master Promissory Note, and the term "Direct Subsidized/Unsubsidized MPN" refers to the Federal Direct Stafford/Ford Loan - Federal Direct Unsubsidized Stafford/Ford Loan Master Promissory Note. The term "MPN" refers to both Master Promissory Notes (Direct PLUS and Direct Subsidized/Unsubsidized).

A copy of the Direct PLUS MPN is attached to this bulletin, along with the new Endorser Addendum, Direct PLUS Loans Borrower's Rights and Responsibilities Statement, and Direct PLUS Loans Plain Language Disclosure that are to be used in conjunction with the Direct PLUS MPN.

Federal Direct PLUS Loan Application and Master Promissory Note

The Direct PLUS MPN is a promissory note that can be used to make one or more Direct PLUS Loans to a parent borrower to help pay for the educational costs of one dependent student for one or more academic years. Generally, a parent borrower will be required to complete a Direct PLUS MPN only once, when the parent first borrows a Direct PLUS Loan for a dependent student. In most cases, the parent may then receive additional Direct PLUS Loans for that student for up to 10 years without completing a new Direct PLUS MPN, as long as the student continues to attend a Direct Loan school that is authorized and chooses to make multiple loans under the Direct PLUS MPN. As with the Direct Subsidized/Unsubsidized MPN, a school may require a parent borrower to complete a new Direct PLUS MPN each academic year. Likewise, a parent borrower may choose to complete a new Direct PLUS MPN for each Direct PLUS Loan.

The Direct PLUS MPN allows one parent to borrow one or more Direct PLUS Loans for one dependent student. This means that a parent who wants to borrow Direct PLUS Loans for more than one dependent student must complete a separate Direct PLUS MPN for each student. In addition, if different parents want to borrow Direct PLUS Loans for the same student, each parent must complete a separate Direct PLUS MPN.

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To the extent possible, the language on the Direct PLUS MPN matches the language on the Direct Subsidized/Unsubsidized MPN, differing only where necessary to reflect terms and conditions that are specific to Direct PLUS Loans. As is the case with multiple loans made under a single Direct Subsidized/Unsubsidized MPN, each Direct PLUS Loan received under a Direct PLUS MPN is a separate and distinct loan. The terms that apply to each loan (for example, interest rates) are dependent on the terms that are in effect at the time each loan is made.

Effective date for use of the Direct PLUS MPN

The new Direct PLUS MPN and related documents (Endorser Addendum, Direct PLUS Loans Borrower's Rights and Responsibilities Statement, Direct PLUS Loans Plain Language Disclosure) are to be used beginning with any Direct PLUS Loan made for the 2003-2004 year (that is, a loan with an identification number that includes "04").

The current "Federal Direct PLUS Loan Application and Promissory Note" (OMB No. 1840-0666 or 1845-0051), "Addendum to Federal Direct PLUS Loan Promissory Note - Endorser" (OMB No. 1840-0679 or 1845-0060), and "Federal Direct PLUS Loans (for Parent Borrowers) Borrower's Rights and Responsibilities" remain valid and must continue to be used for making Direct PLUS Loans for years prior to 2003-2004.

School eligibility for multi-year use of the Direct PLUS MPN

Under the expanded authority for multi-year use of the MPN that was announced in Dear Colleague Letter GEN-02-10, any Direct Loan school that is not specifically informed otherwise may allow a parent borrower to receive Direct PLUS Loans for subsequent academic years based on a previously completed Direct PLUS MPN. For more detailed information on the implementation of the expanded authority for multi-year use of the MPN in the Direct Loan Program, see Direct Loan Bulletin (DLB) 03-02.

As noted above and in DLB 03-02, an otherwise eligible Direct Loan school is not required to use the multi-year feature of the Direct PLUS MPN and may require a parent borrower to complete a new Direct PLUS MPN each academic year. Such a school may choose to be designated in the Common Origination and Disbursement (COD) System as using the single-year feature of the MPN. However, if a school opts to be designated as using the single-year feature of the MPN, that designation applies to all Direct Loans processed by the school (Direct Subsidized, Direct Unsubsidized, and Direct PLUS). This means that a school may not, for example, choose to be designated in the COD System as using the single-year feature of the MPN for Direct Subsidized Loans and Direct Unsubsidized Loans, and the multi-year feature of the MPN for Direct PLUS Loans.

As with the Direct Subsidized/Unsubsidized MPN, even if a school is not authorized to use or chooses not to use the multi-year feature of the Direct PLUS MPN, it may make multiple Direct PLUS Loans under a single Direct PLUS MPN within the same academic year.

Active confirmation process required with multi-year use of the Direct PLUS MPN

For loans made under the multi-year feature of the MPN, the regulations that govern the Direct Loan Program require a school that is authorized for multi-year use of the MPN to develop and document a confirmation process in accordance with guidelines established by the U.S. Department of Education (ED). The purpose of a confirmation process is to provide a means for a borrower to accept or decline a loan made for a subsequent academic year under the multi-year feature of an MPN. This helps to provide for greater borrower control and understanding of loan debt. For Direct

Subsidized Loans and Direct Unsubsidized Loans, a school's confirmation process may be either active or passive. An active confirmation process is one that requires a borrower to take action to accept or confirm a loan before any loan funds may be disbursed. A passive confirmation process requires that a borrower be notified when a loan for a subsequent academic year is made, but the borrower must take action only if he or she does not want the loan, or wants to change the loan amount. With a passive process, loan funds may be disbursed after the borrower has been notified of the new loan.

Because Direct PLUS Loan funds generally are not paid directly to the parent borrower, but rather are applied to the student's account at the school, and because Direct PLUS Loan amounts are often significantly higher than Direct Subsidized Loan and Direct Unsubsidized Loan amounts, it is particularly important for parents to have control over the borrowing process and to be aware of the loan debt they are incurring. Therefore, a school must have an active confirmation process for Direct PLUS Loans made under the multi-year feature of the Direct PLUS MPN, even if the school uses a passive confirmation process for Direct Subsidized Loans and Direct Unsubsidized Loans. Regardless of the maximum Direct PLUS Loan amount that a parent is eligible to borrow, a school may not originate a loan for more than the amount the parent has confirmed that he or she wants to borrow.

The following are examples of active confirmation processes that a school might use:

- Requiring the parent borrower to sign and return an award letter that indicates the specific amount of the Direct PLUS Loan.
- Requiring the parent borrower to request a specific Direct PLUS Loan amount and documenting that request.
- Documenting the parent borrower's acceptance of a loan through an electronic process that requires a personal identification number (PIN).

As is the case with the confirmation process for Direct Subsidized Loans and Direct Unsubsidized Loans, a school must keep a description of its Direct PLUS Loan active confirmation process that is in effect for each academic year in which the school makes loans for subsequent academic years under previously completed Direct PLUS MPNs. Ideally, a school's confirmation process would be described in a student handbook or other financial aid publication that is issued each academic year. The description of the confirmation process may be kept in either paper or electronic format; it need not be included in borrower files. It must be kept indefinitely, and must be submitted to ED upon request if a borrower challenges the enforceability of a loan made under the multi-year feature of the MPN.

Use of an endorser with the Direct PLUS MPN

By completing a Direct PLUS MPN, a parent borrower authorizes ED to investigate the borrower's credit record for each loan received under the Direct PLUS MPN. If a parent is determined to have an adverse credit history and obtains an endorser for a Direct PLUS Loan, the Direct PLUS MPN that the parent completes becomes a "single-loan" promissory note. That is, no further Direct PLUS Loans may be made under that Direct PLUS MPN. If the parent later wants to receive another Direct PLUS Loan, he or she must complete a new Direct PLUS MPN. If a parent previously completed a Direct PLUS MPN that was used to make one or more earlier Direct PLUS Loans, but later obtains an endorser for a subsequent Direct PLUS Loan, the parent must complete a new Direct

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PLUS MPN for that subsequent loan. No further loans may be made under the previously completed Direct PLUS MPN.

The Endorser Addendum for the Direct PLUS MPN shows the amount of the Direct PLUS Loan that the endorser has agreed to repay if the borrower does not repay the loan. The endorser is liable only for the specific loan that he or she has agreed to endorse. If a borrower obtains a Direct PLUS Loan with an endorser, the Direct PLUS Loan amount shown on the Endorser Addendum is the maximum amount that the school may disburse to the borrower for that loan. Any increase in the Direct PLUS Loan amount will require a new Direct PLUS MPN and Endorser Addendum.

Direct PLUS MPN expiration conditions

The rules governing the expiration of the Direct PLUS MPN are the same as those for Direct Subsidized/Unsubsidized MPNs beginning with Release 2.0 or later of the COD System. That is, no subsequent loans may be made under a Direct PLUS MPN after the earliest of the following dates:

- The date ED or the school receives the borrower' written notice that no further loans may be made;
- One year after the date the borrower signs the MPN or the date ED receives the MPN, if no disbursements are made under the MPN; or
- Ten years after the date the borrower signs the MPN or the date ED receives the MPN (except that a remaining portion of a loan may be disbursed after this date).

If a borrower does not want to have further loans made under the multi-year feature of the MPN, he or she must notify either the school or the Direct Loan Servicing Center in writing. If the borrower later wants to receive another loan, a new MPN must be completed. However, any remaining disbursements of a loan made under the MPN prior to receipt of the borrower's notification may still be made.

For the two expiration provisions that may be based on either the date the borrower signs the MPN or the date ED receives the MPN, ED determines the expiration date based on the date ED receives the MPN.

Direct PLUS Loans Borrower's Rights and Responsibilities Statement

The Direct PLUS Loans Borrower's Rights and Responsibilities Statement (BRR) provides additional and more detailed information about the terms and conditions of Direct PLUS Loans made under the Direct PLUS MPN. By completing a Direct PLUS MPN, the borrower agrees to the terms and conditions that are covered in the BRR. A copy of the BRR must be given to the borrower with the Direct PLUS MPN each time a Direct PLUS MPN is completed.

Direct PLUS Loans Plain Language Disclosure

The Direct PLUS Loans Plain Language Disclosure (PLD) is essentially an abbreviated version of the BRR that must be given to the borrower in lieu of the BRR when the borrower receives a subsequent loan under a previously completed Direct PLUS MPN. The PLD summarizes the most important information covered in the BRR, and refers the borrower to the Direct PLUS MPN and BRR for complete loan terms and conditions. The PLD also explains any changes or additions to the loan terms and conditions that are stated on the Direct PLUS MPN and in the BRR.

Direct PLUS Loans Disclosure Statement

We are developing a Disclosure Statement for Direct PLUS Loans made under the Direct PLUS MPN that will provide the borrower with the same type of information as the existing Disclosure Statement for Direct Subsidized Loans and Direct Unsubsidized Loans. The Direct PLUS Loans Disclosure Statement will include information on the loan amount and anticipated disbursement dates, and must be provided to the parent borrower at or before the first disbursement of each Direct PLUS Loan made under the Direct PLUS MPN. When a Disclosure Statement is sent for a subsequent Direct PLUS Loan made under the Direct PLUS MPN, it must be accompanied by a copy of the PLD. We will provide more information on the Direct PLUS Loans Disclosure Statement in a future Direct Loan Bulletin.

Ordering and printing the Direct PLUS MPN and related documents

We will provide information on ordering and printing the Direct PLUS MPN and related documents in a separate Direct Loan Bulletin that will be issued shortly.

For more information about the operational business rules related to Direct Loan Master Promissory Notes, please refer to the 2003-2004 COD Technical Reference Volume II, Section 1 (Full Participants) or Volume IV, Section 1 (Phase-In Participants). Both references can be found on IFAP at www.ifap.ed.gov and the technical reference is available for download at www.sfadownload.ed.gov. If you have any questions about this bulletin, please contact COD School Relations by phone at 800/848-0978 or by e-mail at CODSupport@acs-inc.com.

Thank you for your continued partnership in the Direct Loan Program. Sincerely,

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Multi-Year Use of Master Promissory Notes by Schools

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Subject: Multi-Year Use of Master Promissory Notes by Schools

Summary: Most schools are approved for multi-year use of Master Promissory Notes in the FFEL and Direct Loan programs.

Date: November 2002

Dear Colleague:

The regulations that govern the use of the Master Promissory Note (MPN) in the Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) and the Federal Direct Loan (Direct Loan) programs allow student and parent borrowers at most four-year colleges and graduate or professional schools to use the multi-year feature of an MPN [See 34 CFR 682.401(d)(4) and 685.402(f)]. Borrowers attending those schools may receive loans for subsequent academic years based upon a previously signed MPN and are not required to sign another note. The regulations also provide that the Secretary may approve multi-year use of the MPN for borrowers at other schools or preclude the use of the multi-year feature of an MPN at an otherwise eligible school, including a four-year or graduate school.

The limitations on the use of the multi-year feature of the MPN were originally designed to provide an opportunity for the Secretary to monitor the new process before deciding whether to expand its use. We now believe that it is appropriate to authorize borrowers at additional schools to use the multi-year feature of the MPN. Therefore, unless a school is specifically informed otherwise, all schools participating in the FFEL or Direct Loan programs that are located in the United States may allow their student borrowers (and parent borrowers under the soon to be released PLUS MPN [1]) to use the multi-year feature of the MPN. Borrowers attending foreign schools may not use the multi-year feature of the MPN unless the Department specifically informs the school that its borrowers may use the multi-year feature of the MPN.

Under this new policy guidance students who are attending schools that are not four-year colleges or graduate or professional schools (or their parents) are eligible to receive loans for subsequent academic years based upon a previously signed MPN (even if that MPN was signed by the borrower prior to the effective date of this policy change). We urge schools to make certain that their students are aware of this change to the loan application process and its implications for them as Federal student loan borrowers.

This new authority is effective beginning with -

- Any FFEL loan that is certified by a school on or after March 1, 2003, regardless of the
 period covered by the loan. We encourage FFEL lenders and guaranty agencies to
 inform schools when, and under what conditions, they will be able to implement this
 new authority.
- Any Direct Loan for the 2003-2004 year that is processed after the 2.0 Release of the Common Origination and Disbursement System. Specific implementation information will be provided in a forthcoming Direct Loan Bulletin.

Please note that institutions and lenders are not required to use the multi-year feature of the MPN. Under existing policy, a school that is eligible for multi-year use of the MPN may decide that it wants all or some of its borrowers to continue to complete and sign a new MPN each year. Similarly, a lender may require a borrower to sign a new MPN to receive a loan from that lender. Most importantly, individual borrowers always have the option of signing a new MPN.

Guidance on the use of the MPN in the FFEL and Direct Loan programs is included in the Student Financial Aid Handbook in Volume 8 (Direct Loan and FFEL Programs) beginning on page 8-37. Particular attention should be paid to the provisions relating to borrower confirmation and the expiration of an MPN for subsequent loans.

If you have any questions about multi-year use of the MPN, please contact the FSA Customer Service Call Center through any of the following means:

Via phone, Call Center staff members are available Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM (Eastern Time) at 1-800-433-7327. After hours calls will be accepted by an automated voice response system. Callers leaving their name and phone number will receive a return call the next business day.

Via FAX, inquiries should be sent to the Call Center at (202) 275-5532. Via e-mail, inquiries should be directed to the Call Center staff at FSA.Customer.Support@ed.gov.

Via the Schools Portal on the Internet, by going to www.sfa4schools.sfa.ed.gov then clicking on the "Got a Question?" button.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey R. Andrade,

Deputy Assistant Secretary

Office of Postsecondary Education

[1] Additional guidance on the use of the new PLUS MPN will be provided shortly. In addition, we are currently working on an MPN for the Federal Perkins Loan Program. It is the Secretary's intent to approve all schools that participate in the Perkins Program for multi-year use of the new Perkins MPN. Specific guidance on the Perkins MPN implementation will be provided in a subsequent Dear Colleague Letter.

IFAP: www.ifap.ed.gov/dpcletters/Gen0210.html

Changes to Direct Loan

In System Setup

- Source Entity ID (Entity ID of the physical sender of the Common Record—school or third party servicer)
- Third Party Servicer checkbox

In School Setup

- Reporting Entity ID (Entity ID of the school that sends and receives data for the campuses or students it serves—cannot be a third party servicer)
- Attended Entity ID (Entity ID of the school or campus where the student attends class—must either be equal to or have an established relationship with the Reporting Entity ID)
- Funding Method

In Tolerances Setup

Document Activity

1. What are the Current SSN, Last Name, and Date of Birth on the COD System for this student?

194-63-3796 McKinnel 10/15/1960

2. Has the school made changes in EDExpress that may affect the Student Identifier?

Date of Birth on Demo Tab is 12/17/1962

DOB Change Date is populated (03/20/2003)

DOB at COD is 10/15/1960

3. If so, why might those changes reject at COD?

If the change to Date of Birth has not been accepted by CPS

4. Which CPS Transaction Number was used to award the subsidized loan? Which was used to award the unsubsidized loan? Why might the two be different?

Subsidized loan: 01 Unsubsidized loan: 02

Verification of Transaction 01 may have been the basis for the subsidized loan award, and then a change was made and a new ISIR was received before the unsubsidized loan was awarded.

Case 1 -- Participant Instructions and Corresponding Answers

At FSA Community College, you are approaching the first disbursement date for the first term of the year. You have identified a group of students with Edit Only disbursements that you need to record as actual disbursements. One of these students is Marcel Venturi, SSN 288-59-4787.

Follow these steps to complete the activity:

- Open Marcel's record in EDExpress.
- Update the first disbursement for the subsidized loan to make it an actual disbursement. The disbursement date is 8/29/03.
- Save the data.
- 1. What method did you use to record the actual disbursement? Check the Disbursement Release Indicator box.
- 2. What did you notice about the 1st Edit Only disbursement once you saved your data?

 The row becomes deactivated. No changes can be made to any of the associated fields once the DRI is checked. The DRI checkbox is grayed out.

Case 2 -- Participant Instructions and Corresponding Answers

You have determined that it is time to report an actual disbursement for the subsidized loan for Susie McKinnel, SSN 194-63-3796. The date of the disbursement is 8/1/03 and the amount disbursed is actually \$1,000, less than the amount anticipated when the loan was created.

Follow these steps to complete the activity:

- Open Susie's record in EDExpress.
- Report the 1st disbursement date as 8/1/03.
- Report the 1st disbursement gross amount as \$1,000.
- Indicate that the disbursement is an actual disbursement.
- Save the data.
- 1. What method did you use to record the disbursement? Changed the Edit Only disbursement date to 08/01/2003, changed the Edit Only gross disbursement amount to \$1000, and checked the Disbursement Release Indicator box.
- 2. What did you notice about the 1st Edit Only disbursement? The row becomes deactivated. No changes can be made to any of the associated fields once the DRI is checked. The DRI checkbox is grayed out.

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Appendix G—Answer Key

Case 3 -- Participant Instructions and Corresponding Answers

Your office was notified by the Ecology Today Foundation on 8/1/03 that Brooke Bernini, SSN 115-97-4419, was awarded a scholarship. You need to reduce the amount of Brooke's subsidized loan from \$2,625 to \$1,000. You want all of Brooke's disbursements to be equal, so you must reduce the amount of the first actual disbursement, as well as the remaining Edit Only disbursements.

Follow these steps to complete the activity:

- Open Brooke's record in EDExpress.
- Adjust the first disbursement gross amount for the subsidized loan down to \$250.
- Adjust the remaining Edit Only disbursements to \$250.
- Save the data.
- Change the Loan Amount Approved to \$1,000.
- Save the data.
- 1. What method did you use to record the adjustment? In action section of disbursement screen, selected disbursement number 1, type A (could have used N), date (07/09/2003) and amount \$250.
- 2. What date did you report as the Adjustment Date? 07/09/2003
- 3. What did you notice about the first Edit Only disbursement? It did not change. Only sequence number 1 transactions will mirror the Edit Only data. Adjustments are not reflected in the Edit-Only Disbursements grid.
- 4. What did you notice about the remaining Edit Only disbursements? They turned blue because the amounts were changed.

Scenario 1

It is 1/7/2004, and the Business Office at FSA University (G99999) has requested a list of students that are/were eligible to receive loan funds on or before 1/14/2004.

- 1. What report would you print in EDExpress to provide the information requested by the Business Office?
 - Edit-Only Disbursements list with Pending Actuals (this looks for DRI = false).
- 2. What query and/or options in EDExpress would allow you to filter the data on the report so that only students attending FSA University who are scheduled for disbursement on or before 1/14/2004 appear on the report (note that the database contains loans for 3 different schools)?
 Direct Loan School Code = G99999 is a query that can be created, or you can use the predefined School Code Range query. When using the query to print the Report, you must also specify the date range under Options. In this case, the date range end date would be 1/14/2004. It is recommended that the date range start date be a date that falls prior to any anticipated disbursement dates. That way, if a student becomes eligible (meets the requirements as per the query) after the anticipated disbursement date has passed, the loan(s) will appear on the list.
- 3. Print the report. How much money is needed to fund all of the disbursements that appear? \$47,997 net, but may vary depending on whether all previous exercises were completed successfully.
- 4. Can you submit all of the disbursements that appear on the report to COD today, or must you wait? How did you determine this?
 - Yes. Today is 1/7/04 and the latest disbursement on the list is 1/14/04. The school is Advance Pay and may report disbursements up to 7 days in advance.
- 5. To print a similar report at your own institution, what criteria might you include in a query?

 Suggestions: Loan Status = A; MPN Status = S or M or T or A; PLUS Credit Status = A or
 C or E; Verification Status Demo = blank or V or S; user-defined fields = ?; there may be others.
- 6. Once you report actual disbursements in EDExpress, how can you determine that all of the disbursements were entered accurately?
 - Edit-Only Disbursements list with corresponding actuals (use query based on document ID if data was exported, or use the same query that you used when running the initial list); Actual Disbursement list using same query; Funded Disbursement list from COD; use DL Tools, enter drawdown amount, and run Cash Management Report.

Appendix G—Answer Key

Scenario 2

It is near the end of the semester and a student comes into your office to inform you that his total disbursements are less than his loan amount approved. You take a look at his loan data in EDExpress and find that he is correct. It occurs to you that there may be similar instances that you are not aware of. You would like to print a list to identify all loans that have not been fully disbursed.

- 1. Is there a list in EDExpress that can provide you with this information? If so, which list(s) would you print? The Loan Eligibility List; the Edit-Only Disbursements list with Corresponding and Pending Actuals.
- 2. How is/are the list(s) useful in identifying loans that have not been fully disbursed? The Loan Eligibility List includes the LAA and the Gross Disbursement Amount, so you can easily see if the amounts don't match. The Edit-Only Disbursements list identifies disbursements that have already been entered, as well as those that have not. Discrepancies between the Edit Only amount and the actual amount for a specific disbursement indicate that an adjustment was done.
- 3. What are some scenarios that might result in the total disbursed amount being less than the LAA? The student withdrew and remaining Edit Only disbursements were not canceled, LAA was not reduced; student did not meet school's criteria for disbursement (SAP, verification, MPN status, etc.); downward adjustments were made, but LAA was not reduced; data entry error (e.g., the school meant to enter \$1000 but entered \$100 instead).
- 4. What are some suggestions for resolving the loans identified? Reduce remaining Edit Only disbursements and LAA if additional disbursements will not be made; disburse remaining Edit Only disbursements by checking the DRI box, if additional disbursements should be made; add additional Edit Only disbursements and check the DRI box, if necessary; correct data entry errors identify these loans when reconciling the loan detail with the amount listed on the students' records in the business office.

Scenario 3

You need to identify all the rejects that are present in the EDExpress database and determine what action to take to resolve the issue. Identify rejects for all schools in the database.

- 3. Are any students with rejects included? Yes.
- 4. If so, identify their problem to resolve.

Records included in the response file with actual disbursement rejects are 377-70-2499 and 603-93-6471.

- 5. Print a list of loans with origination reject codes. This list will provide five records: 223-77-5690 | 270-75-3134 | 288-59-4787 | 377-70-2499 | 603-93-6471.

 Print a list of disbursements with reject codes. This includes two students from above: 377-70-2499 and 603-93-6471.
- 6. Provide information for any queries that you used or developed to identify records.

 Two pre-defined queries are provided: Rejected Actual Disbursements and Rejected Origination Records. In addition, the Loan Origination Status and Disbursement Status parameter queries could have been used with Status E.
- 7. Locate and consider a rejected origination record due to a Date of Birth that conflicts with COD data. What tools do you use to verify the DOB in each system? How would you make a correction to the DOB?

A possible series of events that could lead to an origination record being rejected due to a DOB mismatch include:

- Student completes FAFSA.
- School receives ISIR.
- Staff or student identifies DOB as incorrect and it is changed on Demo tab but not submitted as an ISIR correction.
- The school creates the loan using the correct DOB (as reported by the student to the school) stored on the Demo tab.
- COD matches data to eligibility file which includes original DOB in valid ISIR.
- Origination is rejected by COD.
- The school receives the new ISIR and re-submits the origination data.

Possible tools to use include FAA Access to CPS Online. You can view the Person Detail information on the COD Website, if a record has been created.

Suggested Tools to Use

- Loans List query by status
- Actual Disbursements List query by status

Appendix G-7

Business Practices Impact Worksheet

Review the following major changes pertaining to 2003-2004 Direct Loan processing and assess what impact, if any, these changes will have on your school's current business practices. Consider changes in work flow, staff responsibilities, and action items such as updating your Policy and Procedures Manual.

Session	Change	Impact to Current Business Practices
1	EDExpress users become Full Participants in the Common Origination and Disbursement (COD) Process and must notify COD and receive Entity ID: Contact the COD Schools Relations Center at: 1-800-848-0978 (Direct Loan) Or e-mail: CODSupport@acs-inc.com	
1	Change in terminology pertaining to XML data: Batches are now Documents Acknowledgements are now Responses Originations are now Edit Only data Anticipated disbursements are now Edit Only disbursements (DRI = false) Actual disbursements are now represented by Disbursement Release Indicator (DRI) = true	
1	EDExpress compiles student award data in a Common Record (in XML format) upon export; external imports and exports remain in fixed length ASCII file formats.	
1	Use your Routing Number to submit COD records, which includes: Source Entity ID Destination Entity ID Reporting School Entity ID Attended School Entity ID Must add new IDs to new fields in DL Setup, communicate to staff, etc.	

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Appendix H—Business Practices Impact

Session	Change	Impact to Current Business Practices
2	New PLUS MPN and PLUS Disclosure Statement.	
	Important issues to consider:	
	 Loan Amount Requested field removed from the loan record and the promissory note EDExpress will not assume an MPN 	
·	exists ("T")	
2	Multi-year functionality available to most schools.	
	Important issues to consider:	
	Must have "active" confirmation process for PLUS	
	Not available for PLUS borrowers with endorsers	
2	New CPS Transaction Number field added to Loans tab:	
	CPS match performed by COD when a Common Record contains:	
	A new student with an award	
	 A change to the Student Identifier (current SSN, current DOB, current Last Name; for DL, only SSN and DOB are matched) 	
	A new award with a new CPS Transaction Number	
	Not on PLUS records	
	• See 03/04 COD Tech Ref, Vol. II, page II-1-52	
2	New ability to track Current SSN in EDExpress:	
	May open student record using Original or Current SSN	
	Important issues to consider:	
	Original SSN is always used in Loan ID	
	Only Original SSN shows in Selection Criteria, Select Records when importing and exporting; Current SSN is shown when using Select Records to print reports	
	Current SSN will show on reports that have the option of sorting by SSN	

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Session	Change	Impact to Current Business Practices
3	Setting DRI = true copies Edit Only (anticipated) information into Actual Disbursement Grid and represents entering an actual disbursement in the software. Important issue to consider: Increased importance of anticipated information	
3	Disbursement transaction types D and U are no longer available from within a student record. D and U still available in Multiple Entry but U now means "Update DRI to true"	
3	When entering an adjustment (A or N), enter the date of the corresponding disbursement, not the date of the adjustment. • EDExpress does not export an adjustment date that is different from the disbursement date, so COD only receives the disbursement date • If you enter a different date from what COD receives, you will have date mismatch issues when running a Compare report in DL Tools (SAS will have one date, EDExpress will have another)	
3	Pushed Cash schools must continue to have accepted MPNs before sending in actual disbursements, or the disbursements will reject. Cash will not be pushed until loan books. Important issue to consider: Process must be in place to verify that valid MPN exists for each borrower	

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Appendix H—Business Practices Impact

Session	Change	Impact to Current Business Practices
4	Exports from EDExpress to COD are now in one message class that combines all student award data (Edit Only, change, disbursement)—COMRECIN.***	
	Schools have the option of using queries or Selection Criteria for reporting DL Edit Only data separately from DL disbursements	
	Schools also have option of combining all DL and Pell data that is ready to send	
	Important issue to consider:	
	There is no way to prevent changes from being exported if the Edit Only data has been previously batched	
4	COD returns a Receipt for each document submitted to confirm data was received in the correct format.	
	Receipt will be recorded in Document Activity but will not update any data in the EDExpress database	
4	All student award data is returned in one message class—COMRECOP.***	
	Includes Edit Only, disbursement and change data, as well as MPN acknowledgements, PLUS credit decision overrides, Booking Notifications, and Payment to Servicer notifications	·
4	Import Edit reports (produced by EDExpress upon import) divide the XML response data blocks by Pell and DL transaction type. Can be saved to a file and e-mailed to various staff	
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Session	Change	Impact to Current Business Practices
5	Must sign up for access to COD Website. Refer to posting on IFAP for additional information http://ifap.ed.gov/cod/0603SchoolUserID.html	
5	With access to COD Website, users have ability to enter data (add and update records) via the COD Website. Important issue to consider: Version 9.1 of EDExpress will not have ability to import acknowledgements from web-based activity ("WB" Responses)	
5	With access to COD Website, users have ability to access reports via COD Website in PDF format (with some exceptions, e.g. the SAS and Rebuild files). • Most reports may also be sent in flat file format via the SAIG	
General	2003-2004 COD Technical Reference available at http://fsadownload.ed.gov Includes Full Participant Implementation Guide, edit and reject codes, etc.	

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Glossary

Actual Disbursement

A disbursement record submitted to the COD System in order to request or substantiate funding. Full Participants submit actual disbursement data on the Common Record with a Disbursement Release Indicator (DRI) = true.

Attended Entity ID

The Entity ID of the school or campus where the student attends class. It must be the same as the Reporting Entity ID—if the Reporting and Attended School are the same—or must have an established relationship with the Reporting Entity ID.

Common Origination and Disbursement (COD)

A system and database that replaced the RFMS and DLOS systems beginning with Award Year 2002-2003. Combines the origination and disbursement processes for the Federal Pell Grant and Direct Loan Programs.

Common Origination and Disbursement (COD) Process)

The method used by Federal Student Aid Programs to report award and payment information for the Direct Loan and Pell Grant programs.

Common Record

A data transport mechanism (message) used to exchange Federal Student Aid (FSA) data between Full Participants and ED. Written in XML, it can contain multiple entities, students, programs, awards, and disbursements.

CPS Transaction Number

The transaction number of the eligible ISIR that is used to calculate a Direct Subsidized or Direct Unsubsidized Loan.

Disbursement

Title IV program funds disbursed when a school credits a student's account with funds or pays a student or parent directly with either:

- Title IV funds received from ED, or
- Institution funds used before receiving Title IV program funds

Disbursement Release Indicator (DRI)

Formerly known as the "Payment Trigger." Indicates whether or not a disbursement is ready to be funded. In EDExpress, the Disbursement Release Indicator appears as a checkbox on the Disburse tab. A mark in the checkbox means that the DRI = true, and the disbursement is an Actual Disbursement. If the checkbox is clear, the DRI = false and the disbursement information is Edit Only.

Document (formerly Batch)

In the Pell and Direct Loan modules of EDExpress, a group of data that are exported and sent to COD using the XML Common Record format.

Document Activity (formerly Batch Activity)

A grid showing all the documents that were imported to or exported from the school's EDExpress database. A new feature for 2003-2004 is that when you browse through the Document Activity grid you see all Pell and DL documents.

Document ID

Document IDs replace Batch IDs for Direct Loan and Pell export and import files in EDExpress. EDExpress records the import and export of all documents in the Document Activity database and assigns a unique Document ID to each document. The Document ID is 30 characters in length. It has three main components: (1) the date and (2) time it was created and (3) the Source Entity ID that generated it.

e-MPN

A Master Promissory Note that a borrower can sign electronically (using a PIN) on the Web.

Edit Only Disbursement Grid

The upper portion of the disbursement screen in EDExpress. "Anticipated" disbursement information is shown here.

Edit Only Disbursement

Formerly called anticipated disbursement. Calculated based on the loan amount approved and the disbursement profile in EDExpress. An Edit Only disbursement contains disbursement data with DRI = false.

Edit Only Record

Formerly called Loan Origination Record. Contains information from the Demographic tab, the Loans tab, and the Edit Only Disbursement grid (DRI = false). Edit Only data is transmitted to COD in a Common Record document to establish a Direct Loan award on the COD System. Edit Only Records may originate an award, but are not intended to request or report funds.

Endorser

A person who signs a PLUS loan on behalf of the parent because the parent's credit check was declined. The endorser accepts full financial responsibility to pay back the PLUS loan if the parent does not do so.

Entity ID

A unique, randomly generated eight-digit number assigned to all postsecondary schools and third party servicers that participate in the Pell Grant and/or Direct Loan programs. It serves as a routing number that is associated with one or more of the following functions: source, destination, reporting or attended.

Fixed Length Record

Data record whose data elements are recognized based on their positions in the record layout. Requires that all data elements be populated for each submission. Pertains to data not in the Common Record format.

Full Participant

A school that uses the Common Record (XML) to submit Federal Pell Grant and/or Direct Loan data to COD. For the 2003-2004 award year, users of the EDExpress software are Full Participants in the program(s) for which they use EDExpress.

Funding Method

The method by which schools receive their Pell and Direct Loan funds. For the Direct Loan program, funding methods include Advance Pay, Pushed Cash, Cash Monitoring 1 (CM1), Cash Monitoring 2 (CM2) and Reimbursement.

ISIR MPN Indicator

An EDExpress field that gets populated based on NSLDS history information. The field indicates if there's an active MPN on file at COD for a borrower.

Master Promissory Note (MPN)

A legal document that must be signed to obtain a Direct Loan. By signing, the borrower promises to repay the loan, with interest, in specified installments. The MPN also includes any information about the grace period, deferment or cancellation provisions, and the borrower's rights and responsibilities with respect to the loan. There are two types of MPNs: (1) Direct Subsidized/Unsubsidized MPN and (2) Direct PLUS MPN.

Multi-Year Functionality

A feature of the Master Promissory Note, which allows multiple Direct Loans for the same student/borrower to link to the same MPN. Beginning in the 2003-2004 award year, all Direct Loan schools are eligible to use the Multi-Year feature of the MPN. Once an MPN has been accepted and remains open, schools that choose to use this feature do not have to obtain a new MPN each academic year.

Phase-In Participant

A school that uses fixed length record layouts to submit Pell Grant and Direct Loan Program data to COD via the SAIG. Refer to the 2003-2004 COD Technical Reference for the defined record layouts.

PLUS e-MPN

A Master Promissory Note that a parent borrower can sign electronically (using a PIN) on the Web to cover loans for the borrower on behalf of a dependent child.

Receipt

Notification sent from the COD System indicating the system has received a school's Common Record and that it is readable and complies with the XML schema.

Regenerate

An EDExpress function that creates a new copy of a previously exported document. EDExpress saves the new copy under a new Document ID with a new filename extension. You can only regenerate Direct Loan and/or Pell documents that have a Document Status of **R** (rejected) or **blank** (no response received).

Reporting Entity ID

The Entity ID of the school that sends and receives data for the campuses or students it serves. The Reporting Entity must be a school and cannot be a third party servicer. It must be the same as the Source Entity ID or must have an established relationship with the Source Entity ID and the TG Number.

Response

Document returned after processing is complete (formerly called an acknowledgement). Contains updated information, including edit comments and rejects, where applicable.

- Full Response: Contains all the original tags sent by the school as well as the rejected data elements and reason codes.
- Standard Response: Contains information (reject codes and explanation) pertaining only to those elements that did not pass edits.

Single-Loan MPN Feature (PLUS Only)

The limited use of a Master Promissory Note to cover a PLUS loan made to a parent borrower with an eligible endorser.

Single-Year MPN Feature

The limited use of a Master Promissory Note to cover loans made within the same year for a particular borrower.

Source Entity ID

The Entity ID of the physical sender of a Common Record document, which can be either a school or a third party servicer.

Student Identifier

The COD Student Identifier composed of the student's current Social Security Number, current date of birth, and current last name. "Current" means the value stored in COD as of the date of the transmission. EDExpress allows you to view the Student Identifier via a new dialog box called COD Accepted Student ID.

Tag

An element name that is used inside brackets to denote the beginning and end of content. For example, <LastName>Jones</LastName> uses the tag of LastName.

XML (Extensible Markup Language)

Language used to code the Common Record. Each Common Record consists of XML elements that have start tags, end tags and data in between. The start and end tags describe the data or value within the tags. For example, the following XML element is a <LastName> element with the value "Dunn." <LastName> Dunn</LastName>.

XML Document

An XML Document is a Common Record. This replaces Pell and DL batches from 2002-2003.

XML Schema

Specifies the rules surrounding the structure of an XML document. It defines the elements present in the document and the order in which they appear, as well as any attributes that may be associated with an element.





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